



# Mid-American Conference 2016 Bowl Season Football Release



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## MAC Standings

	Conference						Overall						
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	N
<b>WEST DIVISION</b>													
^#*Western Michigan	8	0	1.000	W8	4-0	4-0	13	0	1.000	W13	6-0	6-0	1-0
*Toledo	6	2	.750	L1	3-1	3-1	9	3	.750	L1	5-1	4-2	-
Northern Illinois	5	3	.625	W2	2-2	3-1	5	7	.417	W2	2-4	3-3	-
*Eastern Michigan	4	4	.500	L1	1-3	3-1	7	5	.583	W1	3-3	4-2	-
*Central Michigan	3	5	.375	L1	2-2	1-3	6	6	.500	L1	4-2	2-4	-
Ball State	1	7	.125	L5	0-4	1-3	4	8	.333	L5	1-4	3-4	-
<b>EAST DIVISION</b>													
#*Ohio	6	2	.750	W1	3-1	3-1	8	5	.615	L1	4-2	4-2	0-1
*Miami	6	2	.750	W6	3-1	3-1	6	6	.500	W6	3-3	3-3	-
Akron	3	5	.375	L4	1-3	2-2	5	7	.417	L4	2-4	3-3	-
Bowling Green	3	5	.375	W3	2-2	1-3	4	8	.333	W3	3-3	1-5	-
Kent State	2	6	.250	L3	0-4	2-2	3	9	.250	L3	1-5	2-4	-
Buffalo	1	7	.125	L4	1-3	0-4	2	10	.167	L4	2-4	0-6	-

^ MAC Champion; # Division Champion; \* Bowl Invitation

## MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE 2016 BOWL SCHEDULE

**Dec. 17: Raycom Media Camellia Bowl -- Montgomery, Ala.; 5:30 pm ET (ESPN); Toledo (9-3, 6-2 MAC) vs. Appalachian State (9-3, 7-1, Sun Belt)**  
Toledo finished second in the MAC West Division. First-year head coach Jason Candle will be leading the Rockets to his second-bowl game, as last year Candle replaced Matt Campbell as Toledo defeated Temple, 32-17, in the 2015 Marmot Boca Raton Bowl. Toledo will be making its third consecutive bowl appearance and its Conference leading 16th bowl appearance in program history (11-4 record).

**Dec. 19: Miami Beach Bowl -- Miami, Fla.; 2:30 pm ET (ESPN) Central Michigan (6-6, 3-5 MAC) vs. Tulsa (9-3, 6-2, American Athletic)**  
Second-year head coach John Bonamego led Central Michigan to non-conference wins over Oklahoma State and UNLV. The program will be making its third consecutive bowl appearance and its fourth in the last five years. Quarterback Cooper Rush ranks second in MAC history in career passing yards (12,390), third in total offense (12,291) and tied for fifth in career passing touchdowns (90).

**Dec. 23: Popeyes Bahamas Bowl -- Nassau, Bahamas, 1:00 pm ET (ESPN) Eastern Michigan (7-5, 4-4 MAC) vs. Old Dominion (9-3, 7-1, C-USA)**  
Eastern Michigan is making its first bowl appearance since 1987 and had the program's first winning season since 1995. Head coach Chris Creighton led the Eagles and were tied for the biggest turnaround in FBS by improving its win total from one win in 2015 to seven this season. This is Eastern Michigan's second bowl appearance (30-27 win vs. San Jose State in 1987 California Raisin Bowl).

**Dec. 23: Dollar General Bowl -- Mobile, Ala. 8:00 pm ET (ESPN) Ohio (8-5, 6-2 MAC) vs. Troy (9-3, 6-2, Sun Belt)**  
Ohio are the MAC East Division Champions and suffered a 29-23 loss to Western Michigan in the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game. Head coach Frank Solich is the third-winningest head coach in MAC history with an 88-66 record. The Bobcats have been bowl eligible in 10 of the 12 years under Solich and will be making their eighth bowl appearance during his coaching tenure.

**Dec. 26: St. Petersburg Bowl -- St. Petersburg, Fla., 11:00 am ET (ESPN) Miami (6-6, 6-2 MAC) vs. Mississippi State (5-7, 3-5, SEC)**  
Miami set an FBS record as the first program to win six consecutive games after starting the season with an 0-6 record. Third-year head coach Chuck Martin and the RedHawks will be making the program's first bowl game since 2010. This will be Miami's 11th overall bowl appearance (7-3 bowl record).

**Jan. 2: Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic -- Arlington, Texas, 1:00 pm ET (ESPN) #15 Western Michigan (13-0, 8-0 MAC) vs. #8 Wisconsin (10-3, 7-2, Big Ten)**  
Western Michigan is one of two programs undefeated in FBS this season and has the second-longest current winning streak in the nation (15 games). Western Michigan won the 2016 Marathon MAC Football Championship Game with a 29-23 win over Ohio, the program's first MAC Championship since 1988. Broncos' 13-0 record set a school mark and making its first ever New Year's Six Bowl appearance.

## MAC Storylines

- Western Michigan won the 2016 Marathon MAC Football Championship Game with a 29-23 win over Ohio on Dec. 2. The win was Western Michigan's first championship since 1988 and the second football title in program history.

- Western Michigan is ranked No. 12 in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll and No. 14 in the Amway/USA Today Coaches Poll.** The No. 12 AP ranking is the highest in the MAC since Ball State was ranked No. 12 on Nov. 30, 2008 after a 12-0 start.

- The Broncos were also ranked No. 15 in the sixth and final College Football Playoff ranking on Dec. 4.** Western Michigan is one of only two teams (Alabama 13-0) that remain undefeated. Western Michigan is bowl eligible for the third straight year.

- Western Michigan's 13-0 mark is the first for the MAC since former member Marshall finished the 1999 season with a 13-0 record and a No. 10 ranking in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll.

- Six MAC programs received bowl invitations this 2016 bowl season -- Western Michigan (13-0), Toledo (9-3), Ohio (8-5), Eastern Michigan (7-5), Central Michigan (6-6) and Miami (6-6). The MAC record for bowl invitations in a single-season is seven in both the 2012 and 2015 bowl seasons.

- Western Michigan (Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic), Ohio (Dollar General Bowl), Toledo (Raycom Media Camellia Bowl), Eastern Michigan (Popeyes Bahamas Bowl), Central Michigan (Miami Beach Bowl) and Miami (St. Petersburg Bowl) will represent the MAC this 2016 bowl season.

- This marks the ninth time in MAC history to have five or more programs receive a bowl invitation (2004, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016) in a single-season.

- In the previous five bowl seasons, the MAC has a record of 11-18 in 29 bowl games -- 2015 (3-4); 2014 (2-3); 2013 (0-5); 2012 (2-5); 2011 (4-1) as ten different MAC programs have appeared in a bowl game during this span (2011-15).

- Ohio (8-5, 6-2 MAC) won the MAC East Division for the fourth time in the last 11 seasons under head coach Frank Solich. The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game with Western Michigan and Ohio ended a streak of the previous three games (2013-2015) featuring Northern Illinois vs. Bowling Green.



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**MAC BOWL HISTORY**

Since the conference inception in 1946, the MAC has played in 100 bowl games with a 42-58 (.420) overall bowl record. In the early years, bowl games were few and far between before the consistency of a single-bowl game became into existence in 1981. However, over the last decade the MAC has witnessed a significant increase in the number of bowl invitations both from primary and secondary bowl partnerships, but also several at-large bowl selections as well.

From 1946 to 1980, the MAC appeared in a total of 17 bowl games in the first 35 years of the Conference in operation. Then from 1981 to 2000, the MAC witnessed twenty consecutive years of receiving only one bowl invitation each football season.

The MAC forged a bowl partnership with Detroit from 1997-2013 (Motor City Bowl and Little Caesars Pizza Bowl). The MAC added Mobile in 2001 (GMAC Bowl, GoDaddy Bowl and now Dollar General Bowl) and Boise in 2010 (Humanitarian, now named Famous Idaho Potato Bowl) as primary bowl partners.

Beginning in 2004, the Conference witnessed increased bowl participation in at-large selections as the 2004 bowl season witnessed five MAC programs receive a bowl invitation and that number was matched during the 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2014 bowl seasons. The Conference sent four programs to bowls in 2006 and 2010. The MAC set a Conference record with seven bowl invitations in both the 2012 and 2015 bowl seasons.

MAC Commissioner Dr. Jon Steinbrecher joined the Conference in 2009 and added Boise as a primary bowl partner in 2010, while adding secondary bowl agreements ranging from Gildan New Mexico; St. Petersburg and the Birmingham Bowl in order to provide MAC members the opportunity to represent the Conference and receive additional bowl invitations.

The 2012 bowl season witnessed the conference earn its first BCS Bowl invitation with Northern Illinois gaining a No. 15 BCS ranking and an invite to the Discover Orange Bowl to face Florida State.

In 2014, the MAC announced primary bowl partnerships with the newly created Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.), Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas), Marmot Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.) and Miami Beach Bowl (Miami Beach, Fla.). In addition, the MAC secured a six-year partnership with the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl as a primary and secondary partner and a secondary bowl partnership with the Quick Lane Bowl (Detroit) during this span.

Western Michigan's invitation to the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic to face Wisconsin on Jan. 2nd is the MAC's second New Year's Six Bowl Game appearance.

In the last five bowl seasons, the MAC has an 11-18 overall bowl record in 29 bowl games -- 2015 (3-4); 2014 (2-3); 2013 (0-5); 2012 (2-5); 2011 (4-1). In 2011 the MAC won the ESPN Challenge Cup with a 4-1 record for the best FBS Conference record in bowl games.

**MAC Bowl Records**

Team	W	L	T	PCT.	Last Appearance
Akron	1	1	0	.500	2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Ball State	0	7	0	.000	2014 GoDaddy Bowl
Bowling Green	5	8	0	.385	2015 GoDaddy Bowl
Buffalo	0	2	0	.000	2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Central Michigan	3	6	0	.333	2015 Quick Lane Bowl
Eastern Michigan	1	0	0	1.000	1987 California Raisin Bowl
Kent State	0	3	0	.000	2013 GoDaddy.com Bowl
Miami	7	3	0	.700	2011 GoDaddy.com Bowl
Northern Illinois	4	7	0	.364	2015 S.D. Poinsettia Bowl
Ohio	2	7	0	.222	2015 Raycom Media Camellia Bowl
Toledo	11	4	0	.733	2015 Marmot Boca Raton Bowl
Western Michigan	1	6	0	.143	2015 Popeyes Bahamas Bowl
Current Members	35	54	0	.393	

**Former MAC Members**

Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	1951 Sun Bowl
Marshall	5	2	0	.714	2004 Plains Capital
Temple	1	1	0	.500	2011 Gildan New Mexico Bowl
Former Members	7	4	0	.636	

**Totals**

	W	L	T	PCT.
Current Members	35	54	0	.393
Past Members	7	4	0	.636
Overall	42	58	0	.420

**MAC Year-By-Year Bowl Results**

1947	Sun - Cincinnati 18, Virginia Tech 8
1948	Sun - Miami 13, Texas Tech 12
1950	Salad - Miami 34, Arizona State 21
1951	Sun - West Texas State 14, Cincinnati 13
1954	Refrigerator Bowl - Delaware 19, Kent State 7
1961	Aviation Bowl - New Mexico 28, Western Michigan 12
1961	Mercy - Fresno State 36, Bowling Green 6
1962	Tangerine - Houston 49, Miami 21
1962	Sun - West Texas State 15, Ohio 14
1968	Tangerine - Richmond 49, Ohio 42
1969	Tangerine - Toledo 56, Davidson 33
1970	Tangerine - Toledo 40, William & Mary 12
1971	Tangerine - Toledo 28, Richmond 3
1972	Tangerine - Tampa 21, Kent State 18
1973	Tangerine - Miami 16, Florida 7
1974	Tangerine - Miami 21, Georgia 10
1975	Tangerine - Miami 20, South Carolina 7
1981	California Raisin - Toledo 27, San Jose State 25
1982	California Raisin - Fresno State 29, BGSU 28
1983	California Raisin - NIU 20, Cal State Fullerton 13
1984	California Raisin - UNLV 30, Toledo 13*
1985	California Raisin - Fresno State 51, BGSU 7
1986	California Raisin - San Jose State 37, Miami 7
1987	California Raisin - EMU 30, San Jose State 27
1988	California Raisin - Fresno State 35, WMU 30
1989	California Raisin - Fresno State 27, Ball State 6
1990	California Raisin - San Jose State 48, CMU 24
1991	California Raisin - BGSU 28, Fresno State 21
1992	Las Vegas - BGSU 35, Nevada 24
1993	Las Vegas - Utah State 42, Ball State 33
1994	Las Vegas - UNLV 52, CMU 24
1995	Las Vegas - Toledo 40, Nevada 37 OT
1996	Las Vegas - Nevada 18, Ball State 15
1997	Motor City - Ole Miss 34, Marshall 31
1998	Motor City - Marshall 48, Louisville 29
1999	Motor City - Marshall 21, BYU 3
2000	Motor City - Marshall 25, Cincinnati 14
2001	GMAC - Marshall 64, East Carolina 61 2OT
2001	Motor City - Toledo 23, Cincinnati 16
2002	GMAC - Marshall 38, Louisville 15
2002	Motor City - Boston College 51, Toledo 25
2003	GMAC - Miami 49, Louisville 28
2003	Motor City - BGSU 28, Northwestern 24
2004	Motor City - Connecticut 39, Toledo 10
2004	GMAC - Bowling Green 52, Memphis 35
2004	Silicon Valley Football Classic - NIU 34, Troy 21
2004	Independence Bowl - Iowa State 17, Miami 13
2004	PlainsCapital Forth Worth Bowl - Cincinnati 32, Marshall 14
2005	Motor City Bowl - Memphis 38, Akron 31
2005	GMAC - Toledo 45, UTEP 13
2006	Motor City - Central Michigan 31, MTSU 14
2006	Poinsettia - TCU 37, Northern Illinois 7
2007	GMAC - Southern Miss 28, Ohio 7
2007	International - Cincinnati 27, Western Michigan 24
2007	Motor City - Purdue 51, Central Michigan 48
2008	International Bowl - Rutgers 52, Ball State 30
2008	GMAC - Tulsa 63, Bowling Green 7
2008	Motor City - FAU 24, Central Michigan 21
2008	Independence - La. Tec. 17, Northern Illinois 10
2008	Texas - Rice 38, Western Michigan 14
2009	International - Connecticut 38, Buffalo 20
2009	GMAC - Tulsa 45, Ball State 13
2009	Little Caesars Pizza - Marshall 21, Ohio 17
2009	EagleBank - UCLA 30, Temple 21
2009	Roady's Humanitarian - Idaho 43, Bowling Green 42
2010	International - South Florida 27, Northern Illinois 3
2010	GMAC - Central Michigan 44, Troy 41 (2OT)
2010	uDrove Humanitarian - Northern Illinois 40, Fresno State 17
2010	R+L Carriers New Orleans - Troy 48, Ohio 21
2010	Little Caesars Pizza - Florida International 34, Toledo 32
2011	GoDaddy.com - Miami 35, Middle Tennessee 21
2011	Gildan New Mexico - Temple 37, Wyoming 15
2011	Famous Idaho Potato - Ohio 24, Utah State 23
2011	Little Caesars Pizza Bowl - Purdue 37, Western Michigan 32
2011	Military Bowl - Toledo 42, Air Force 41
2012	GoDaddy.com Bowl - Northern Illinois 38, Arkansas State 20
2012	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Utah State 41, Toledo 15
2012	Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl St. Petersburg - UCF 38, Ball State 17
2012	Little Caesars Pizza Bowl - Central Michigan 24, W. Kentucky 21
2012	Military Bowl - San Jose State 29, Bowling Green 20
2012	Advocare V100 Independence - Ohio 45, Louisiana-Monroe 14
2013	Discover Orange Bowl - Florida State 31, Northern Illinois 10
2013	GoDaddy.com Bowl - Arkansas State 17, Kent State 13
2013	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - San Diego State 49, Buffalo 24
2013	Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl - East Carolina 37, Ohio 20
2013	Little Caesars Pizza Bowl - Pittsburgh 30, Bowling Green 27
2013	S. D. County Credit Union Poinsettia-Utah State 21, NIU 14
2013	GoDaddy Bowl - Arkansas State 23, Ball State 20
2014	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Air Force 38, Western Michigan 24
2014	Raycom Media Camellia Bowl - Bowling Green 33, South Alabama 28
2014	Boca Raton Bowl - Marshall 52, Northern Illinois 23
2014	Popeyes Bahamas Bowl - Western Kentucky 49, Central Michigan 48
2015	GoDaddy Bowl - Toledo 63, Arkansas State 44
2015	Raycom Media Camellia Bowl - Appalachian State 31, Ohio 29
2015	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Akron 23, Utah State 21
2015	Marmot Boca Raton Bowl - Toledo 32, Temple 17
2015	San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl - Boise St. 55, NIU 7
2015	GoDaddy Bowl - Georgia Southern 58, Bowling Green 27
2015	Popeyes Bahamas Bowl - Western Michigan 45, Middle Tennessee 31
2015	Quick Lane Bowl - Minnesota 21, Central Michigan 14

\*1984 game was forfeited to Toledo because of ineligible players by UNLV



## Statistical Leaders (TOP 25) -- Where they rank Nationally in Bowl Subdivision (FBS)

### Rushing Yards:

14th **Kareem Hunt-Toledo**: 1,355 yds., 240 attempts, 8 TDs  
 17th **James Gilbert-Ball State**: 1,332 yds., 251 attempts, 12 TDs  
 23rd **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 1,300 yds., 241 attempts, 12 TDs

### Rushing Touchdowns:

t-35th **James Gilbert-Ball State**: 12 TDs, 1,332 yds., 251 attempts  
 t-35th **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 12 TDs, 1,300 yds., 241 att.

### Total Passing Yards:

7th **Logan Woodside-Toledo**: 3,882 yds., 271-392 passing, 43 TDs  
 13th **Zach Terrell-Western Michigan**: 3,376 yds., 247-349 passing, 32 TDs  
 20th **Cooper Rush-Central Michigan**: 3,299 yds., 254-416 passing, 23 TDs

### Passing Touchdowns:

1st **Logan Woodside-Toledo**: 43 TDs, 3,882 yds., 271-392 passing  
 10th **Zach Terrell-Western Michigan**: 32 TDs, 3,376 yds., 247-349 passing  
 t-30th **Cooper Rush-Central Michigan**: 23 TDs, 3,299 yds., 254-416 passing

### Passing Efficiency:

2nd **Logan Woodson-Toledo**: 183.9 rating; 271-392 pass, 3,882 yds, 43 TDs  
 4th **Zach Terrell-WMU**: 180.6 rating; 247-349 passing, 3,376 yds, 32 TDs

### Receiving Yards Per Game:

9th **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 91 rec, 1,427 yds, 18 TD, (109.8 av.)  
 17th **Cody Thompson-Toledo**: 59 rec., 1,170 yds., 10 TDs, (97.5 avg.)  
 21st **Kenny Golladay-NIU**: 87 rec., 1,156 yds., 8 TDs, (96.3 avg.)

### Total Receiving Yards

7th **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 1,427 yds., 91 rec., 18 TDs  
 19th **Cody Thompson-Toledo**: 1,170 yds., 59 rec., 10 TDs  
 22nd **Kenny Golladay-Northern Illinois**: 1,156 yds., 87 rec., 8 TDs  
 30th **Corey Willis-Central Michigan**: 1,024 yds., 68 rec., 9 TDs  
 t-31st **Jerome Lane-Akron**: 1,018 yds., 62 rec., 6 TDs

### Receiving Touchdowns

1st **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 18 TDs  
 6th **Michael Roberts-Toledo**: 15 TDs  
 t-21st **Scott Miller-Bowling Green**: 10 TDs  
 t-21st **Jojo Natson-Akron**: 10 TDs  
 t-21st **Jon'Vea Johnson-Toledo**: 10 TDs  
 t-21st **Cody Thompson-Toledo**: 10 TDs  
 t-32nd **Corey Willis-Central Michigan**: 9 TDs

### Receptions Per Game:

10th **Kenny Golladay-NIU**: 87 rec., 1,156 yds., 8 TDs, (7.3 per game)  
 t-11th **KeVonn Mabon-Ball State**: 85 rec., 972 yds., 3 TDs, (7.1 per game)  
 t-13th **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 91 rec., 1,427 yds., 18 TDs, (7.0 pg)  
 t-22nd **Scott Miller-Bowling Green**: 74 rec., 968 yds., 10 TDs, (6.2 per game)

### Scoring Per Game:

14th **Butch Hampton-Western Michigan**: 124 points, (9.5 ppg)  
 37th **Louie Zervos-Ohio**: 111 points, (8.5 ppg)

### Points Responsible For:

t-5th **Logan Woodside-Toledo**: 262 points  
 9th **Zach Terrell-Western Michigan**: 230 points

### Total Tackles:

2nd **Nate Holley-Kent State**: 111 tackles, 12.3 tackles per game  
 8th **Khalil Hodge-Buffalo**: 123 tackles, 10.3 tackles per game  
 9th **Ulysees Gilbert-Akron**: 122 tackles, 10.2 tackles per game  
 27th **Trent Greene-Bowling Green**: 111 tackles, 9.3 tackles per game

### Passes Defensed:

t-3rd **Amari Coleman-Central Michigan**: 19 passes defensed, 1.6 per game  
 7th **Najee Murray-Kent State**: 16 passes defensed, 1.5 per game  
 10th **Shawun Lurry-Northern Illinois**: 14 passes defensed, 1.3 per game  
 t-29th **Marc Walton-Ball State**: 14 passes defensed, 1.2 per game  
 t-29th **Heath Harding-Miami**: 14 passes defensed, 1.2 per game  
 t-29th **Jerrell Foster-Kent State**: 14 passes defensed, 1.2 per game

### Sacks:

15th **Tarell Basham-Ohio**: 11.5 sacks, 0.88 per game  
 t-28th **Joe Ostman-Central Michigan**: 9.0 sacks, 0.75 per game  
 36th **Anthony Winbush-Ball State**: 8.5 sacks, 0.71 per game

### Tackles For Loss:

t-26th **Keion Adams-Western Michigan**: 17.0 tackles for loss, 1.3 per game  
 t-31st **Terence Waugh-Kent State**: 15.0 tackles for loss, 1.3 per game

## WESTERN MICHIGAN'S COREY DAVIS SETS FBS MARK

Western Michigan wide receiver Corey Davis added eight receptions for 144 yards and one touchdown in the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game over Ohio. Davis ended the regular season with eight receptions for 81 yards and one touchdown in a 55-35 win over Toledo on Nov. 25.

This season Davis set the MAC career leader in receiving yards, receptions and touchdown receptions. Davis also set the FBS career receiving yards record with 5,212 career yards, surpassing the career mark of 5,005 yards receiving set by Trevor Insley of Nevada from 1996-99. For his career, Davis holds the MAC career receiving records in receptions (326), yards (5,212) and touchdowns (51). Davis also leads the nation with 18 touchdown receptions this year.

## WESTERN MICHIGAN GARNERS NATIONAL ATTENTION

Western Michigan is ranked No. 12 in the Associated Press Top 25 Poll, No. 13 in the Amway/USA Today Coaches Poll and No. 15 in the final College Football Playoff rankings.

Western Michigan (13-0) joins Alabama (13-0) as the only two programs that remain undefeated in FBS football this season. The Broncos have now won a program-record 15 straight games, which is the second longest current winning streak in the country behind Alabama (25). Western Michigan is 20-2 in its last 22 games, which is also the best record over 22 games in program history. Western Michigan's 29 wins over the last three years are the most in a three-year span in program history.

On Saturday, Nov. 19, Western Michigan hosted ESPN College GameDay, college football's longest running and most-celebrated pregame show, for only the second time in MAC history. The ESPN GameDay crew with host Rece Davis, analysts Lee Corso, Kirk Herbstreit, Desmond Howard and David Pollack, as well as contributors Chris 'The Bear' Fallica, Samantha Ponder, Tom Rinaldi, George Whitfield and Gene Wojciechowski, were joined in Kalamazoo by Western Michigan and NFL alum Greg Jennings.

The previous visit by ESPN College GameDay to a MAC campus came in 2003 with Northern Illinois at Bowling Green.

## WOODSIDE & TERRELL LEADERS IN PASS EFFICIENCY

Key quarterback play continues to be on display each week with some of the elite MAC football programs. The MAC features two of the top four quarterbacks in the country in pass efficiency.

Toledo junior quarterback Logan Woodside ranks second in the nation with a 183.9.0 pass efficiency rating as the Rockets finished second in the MAC West with a 9-3 overall record, 6-2 in the MAC. Woodside has thrown for 3,882 yards on 271-392 passing for 43 touchdowns. Woodside leads the nation with his 43 passing touchdowns.

Western Michigan's Zach Terrell ranks fourth in the country with a 180.6 rating. The Broncos won the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game and West Division as Terrell has the Bronco offense cruising with his 247-349 passing for 3,376 yards and 32 touchdowns.

## WOODSIDE HAS ROCKETS OFFENSE SOARING

Toledo junior quarterback Logan Woodside is having his best season as a collegiate signal caller in leading the Rockets offense. Woodside leads the nation with 43 passing touchdowns, ranks second in passing efficiency and seventh with 3,882 passing yards. Woodside's 43 passing touchdowns are the second most in MAC single-season history, behind last year's record setting performance by Bowling Green's Matt Johnson (46 touchdowns, 2015). In addition, Woodside's 3,882 yards passing this season is the eighth highest in MAC single-season history.

## MIAMI SIX-GAME WIN STREAK SETS FBS HISTORY

Miami is riding a six-game winning streak to end the regular season bowl eligible with a 6-6 overall record, 6-2 in the MAC. Miami set the record as the only program in FBS history to begin a season 0-6, then win six consecutive games to finish 6-6 overall. Miami is bowl eligible for the first time since the 2010 season. Miami will face Mississippi State in the St. Petersburg Bowl on Dec. 26 at 11:00 am ET.

**WESTERN MICHIGAN WINS MAC FOOTBALL TITLE**

Western Michigan linebacker Robert Spillane intercepted a pass with 51 seconds remaining, and No. 13 Western Michigan remained undefeated at 13-0, holding off Ohio 29-23 on Friday, Dec. 2 at Ford Field in Detroit to win its first MAC title in football since 1988.

The Broncos led 23-7 at halftime, but Ohio rallied and had the ball in Western Michigan territory in the final minute when Spillane intercepted Greg Windham's pass over the middle. Spillane immediately took a knee at his own 30-yard line, then was mobbed by his teammates as a Ford Field crowd full of Broncos fans roared.

Ohio (8-5) never led and didn't do much on offense until the final quarter, but still came close to their first MAC championship since 1968. Instead, Western Michigan became the first undefeated team to win the MAC title game since Marshall in 1999. The crowd of 45,615 set a Marathon MAC Football Championship game record.

Western Michigan's Corey Davis had eight catches for 144 yards, including a 70-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter. Futch Hampton kicked five field goals to set a Marathon MAC Football Championship Game record, the last a 34-yarder that gave the Broncos a 29-23 lead with 1:24 remaining.

**2016 ANOTHER HISTORIC YEAR IN THE MAC**

The 2016 season witnessed several special historical accomplishments in league history, including both the high-powered offenses from Western Michigan and Toledo. Western Michigan's 6,457 yards of total offense is the ninth highest in the history of the MAC, while Toledo's 44 passing touchdowns rank second in MAC history and the 3,949 yards passing is 10th best in league history.

Also consider the following individual statistical accomplishments and where they rank in single-season MAC historical records.

Toledo junior quarterback Logan Woodside offensive numbers:

- 3,882 yards passing: 8th in MAC history
- 43 passing touchdowns: 2nd in MAC history (46, Matt Johnson, Bowling Green, 2015)

Western Michigan quarterback Zach Terrell offensive numbers:

- 70.77 completion percentage (247-349): 3rd in MAC history
- 32 passing touchdowns: tied for 10th in MAC history

Western Michigan wide receiver Corey Davis offensive numbers:

- 18 touchdown receptions: 3rd in MAC history
- 1,427 receiving yards: 9th in MAC history
- 91 receptions: tied for 25th in MAC history

Ohio redshirt freshman kicker Louis Zervos scoring numbers:

- 26 field goals made: 1st in MAC history

**2016 MAC ALL-AMERICANS**

Since the conclusion of the regular season, the MAC has been represented with several post-season All-American honors.

**The Associated Press:**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**USA Today:**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**Sports Illustrated:**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**CBS Sports:**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**Walter Camp Football Foundation:**

- Second-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**The Sporting News:**

- Second-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis

**Football Writers Association of America (FWAA):**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis
- First-Team All-American: Toledo TE Michael Roberts
- Second-Team All-American: Western Michigan OL Taylor Moton

**American Football Coaches Association (AFCA):**

- First-Team All-American: Western Michigan WR Corey Davis
- Second-Team All-American: Western Michigan OL Taylor Moton

**FOUR MAC STUDENTS CLIMB CAREER RECORD BOOK**

Four MAC seniors have the opportunity to continue to climb up the MAC career record book this 2016 season. Western Michigan wide receiver **Corey Davis** has re-written the MAC career record book this season as the new leader in career receptions, yards and touchdowns.

Quarterbacks **Cooper Rush** (Central Michigan) and **Zach Terrell** (Western Michigan) rank among career leaders in total offense, attempts, completions, yards passing, touchdowns and completion percentage. Toledo running back **Kareem Hunt** has climbed in career rushing records.

**Western Michigan WR Corey Davis**

- Career Receptions – 326 (1st MAC history)
- Career Receiving Yards – 5,212 (1st MAC history)
- Career TD Receptions – 51 (1st MAC history)

**Central Michigan QB Cooper Rush**

- Total Offense – 12,546 yards (3rd MAC history)
- Career Attempts – 1,598 (5th MAC history)
- Career Completions – 997 (5th MAC history)
- Career Yards Passing – 12,646 (2nd MAC history)
- Career Passing TDs – 90 (6th MAC history)
- Career Pass Completion % - 62.4 (997-1,598) (22nd MAC history)

**Western Michigan QB Zach Terrell**

- Total Offense – 12,537 yards (4th MAC history)
- Career Attempts – 1,359 (tied for 13th MAC history)
- Career Completions – 899 (10th MAC history)
- Career Yards Passing – 11,931 (4th MAC history)
- Career Passing TDs – 95 (4th MAC history)
- Career Pass Completion % - 66.15 (899-1,359) (3rd MAC history)

**Toledo RB Kareem Hunt**

- Career Yards Rushing – 4,825 (4th MAC history)
- Career Rushing TDs – 42 (14th MAC history)
- Career Rushing Attempts – 760 (19th MAC history)

**2016 MAC NON-CONFERENCE**

The MAC concluded its non-conference regular season schedule with 14 FBS wins, which tied for second most for the MAC since 2000. The MAC posted 16 FBS wins in 2012, while this year's 14 FBS wins matched the 2008 mark and surpassed last year's total of 12 FBS wins. In 2016 the MAC also has four 'Power Five' wins over Northwestern and Illinois (Big Ten) and Oklahoma State and Kansas (Big 12).

Among the 'Group of Five' Conferences this season, the MAC posted a 3-2 regular season record vs. both Conference USA and the Sun Belt Conference, while sporting a 3-3 record vs. the Mountain West Conference and a 0-3 mark vs. the American Athletic Conference.

**MAC HISTORY IN TOP 25 RANKINGS IN NATIONAL POLLS**

Western Michigan ended the 2016 Marathon MAC Football Championship Game with a 13-0 record and invitation to the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic on Jan. 2. Western Michigan is ranked No. 12 (AP), No. 14 (Amway/USA Today Coaches Poll) and No. 15 in the College Football Playoff Ranking. Western Michigan's No. 12 (AP) ranking on Dec. 4, 2016 is the highest ranking since Ball State was ranked No. 12 (AP) after finishing the 2012 season (Nov. 30) with a 12-0 record.

**MAC Highest Ever Ranking (Top 10) in National Polls:**

- No. 10 (AP) – Miami – Jan. 2 at the end of the 1974 season (10-0-1).
- No. 10 (AP) – Miami – Jan. 5 at the end of the 2003 season (13-1).
- No. 10 (BCS) – Northern Illinois – Oct. 19 after a 7-0 start in 2003.
- No. 10 (AP) – former member Marshall on Jan. 5 end of 1999 (13-0).

**MAC HISTORY OF TOP 10 WINS**

Western Michigan will face No. 8 Wisconsin in the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic on Jan. 2. In MAC history, the Conference has four wins over teams ranked in the Top 10:

**MAC Wins Over Top 10 Programs:**

- No. 6: 2003: Marshall 27-20 win at No. 6 Kansas State (9/20/03)
- No. 8: 1986: Miami 21-12 win at No. 8 LSU (9/20/86)
- No. 9: 1962: Miami 10-7 win at No. 9 Purdue (10/13/62)
- No. 9: 2003: Toledo 35-31 win vs. No. 9 Pittsburgh (9/20/03)

**MAC PROGRAMS IN BOWL GAMES**

In the last six bowl seasons, every MAC football program will have received a bowl invitation. Leading the way are Northern Illinois, Ohio and Toledo with bowl invitations in five of the last six bowl seasons.

**2011-16 MAC Programs and Years Invited to Bowl Games**

Northern Illinois (5): 2011; 2012; 2013; 2014; 2015

Ohio (5): 2011; 2012; 2013; 2015; 2016

Toledo (5): 2011; 2012; 2014; 2015; 2016

Bowling Green (4): 2012; 2013; 2014; 2015

Western Michigan (4): 2011; 2014; 2015; 2016

Central Michigan (4): 2012; 2014; 2015; 2016

Ball State (2): 2012; 2013

Akron (1): 2015

Buffalo (1): 2013

Kent State (1): 2012

Eastern Michigan (1): 2016

Miami (1): 2016

former member Temple (1): 2011

**Year: MAC Programs Invited to Bowl Games**

2011: Northern Illinois; Ohio; Toledo; Western Michigan; Temple

2012: Northern Illinois; Kent State; Ohio; Bowling Green; Ball State; Central Michigan; Toledo

2013: Northern Illinois; Bowling Green; Ball State; Ohio; Buffalo

2014: Northern Illinois; Bowling Green; Toledo; Central Michigan; Western Michigan

2015: Bowling Green; Northern Illinois; Toledo; Western Michigan; Central Michigan; Ohio and Akron

2016: Western Michigan, Ohio, Toledo, Eastern Michigan, Central Michigan, Miami

**EASTERN MICHIGAN'S 2016 DRAMATIC TURNAROUND**

Eastern Michigan is headed to a bowl game for the first time since the 1987 season. Eastern Michigan finished the season with a 7-5 overall record, 4-4 in the grueling MAC West Division, and a winning season for the first time since the 1995 season.

Led by head coach Chris Creighton, Eastern Michigan was tied for the biggest turnaround in FBS in 2016 by improving on its win total from one win in 2015 to seven wins this 2016 season.

Eastern Michigan will face Old Dominion in the Popeyes Bahamas Bowl on Dec. 23 at 1:00 pm ET on ESPN. This is Eastern Michigan's second bowl appearance as the only other appearance was a 30-27 win over San Jose State in 1987 in the California Raisin bowl in Fresno, Calif.

**OHIO'S ZERVOS SETS MAC SINGLE-SEASON FG MARK**

Ohio redshirt freshman Louis Zervos set the MAC single-season record with 26 field goals made this 2016 season. Zervos, a red-shirt freshman from Tarpon Springs, Fla., was also named to the USA Today Freshman All-American Team and earlier this season was named First-Team All-MAC selection.

Zervos went 26-31 on field goals while going 33-36 on point after tries. He set a NCAA record for most field goals by a freshman placekicker and leads the team with 111 points, which ranks second in the MAC.

Zervos had a 51-yard field goal against Buffalo on Nov. 3, which was the longest field goal in the MAC this season. Zervos ranks third in the NCAA averaging 2.0 field goals per game while ranking 23rd with an 84-percent field goal percentage.

**MAC RECEIVERS LEAD NATION IN RECEPTION STREAK**

The MAC is home to two of the top 10 wide receivers with the longest current reception streak in the nation. Western Michigan wide receiver Corey Davis (49 games) ranks tied for first in the country, while Bowling Green's Ronnie Moore (42 games) ranks eighth in the nation. Also, Toledo wideout Corey Jones (37 games) is tied for 13th in the country in this category.

**TERRELL WINS 2016 WILLIAM V. CAMPBELL TROPHY**

The National Football Foundation (NFF) & College Hall of Fame announced that Western Michigan senior quarterback Zach Terrell is the winner of the prestigious 2016 William V. Campbell Trophy. Terrell is recognized as the best football scholar-athlete in the nation and was presented the Campbell Trophy at the 59th NFF Annual Awards Dinner in New York City on Dec. 6.

Terrell is the winner of the 27th William V. Campbell Trophy and will be presented with a \$25,000 postgraduate scholarship. Terrell was one of 12 finalists who were selected from a nationwide pool of 156 semi-finalists among all NCAA divisions and the NAIA.

Terrell was also recognized during The Home Depot College Football Awards on ESPN at the College Football Hall of Fame on Dec. 8. Terrell will also be recognized on the field during the College Football Playoff National Championship Game on Jan. 9, 2017, in Tampa, Fla.

Terrell graduated cum laude in 3.5 years while leading one of the MAC's best offenses. The three-year captain becomes Western Michigan's second NFF National Scholar-Athlete.

Terrell is currently pursuing his MBA after graduating with a 3.66 GPA in finance last December. A three-time Academic All-MAC selection, he was twice named a MAC Distinguished Scholar-Athlete, and he is a six-time member of the Dean's List. The Fort Wayne, Ind., native was the 2015 recipient of the John Gill Scholar-Athlete Award.

The three-time All-MAC quarterback earned Second Team honors in 2016 and 2014 and Third Team honors in 2015. Western Michigan's all-time leader in career completion percentage, Terrell led the Broncos to three consecutive bowl berths, including the program's first-ever New Year's Six bowl invitation to the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic on Jan. 2, 2017, the program's first bowl victory in school history at the 2015 Popeyes Bahamas Bowl.

This season, Terrell led the Broncos to be ranked for the first time in program history, currently No. 15 in the College Football Playoff rankings. Terrell is one of the most decorated quarterbacks in MAC history as he ranks fourth in the MAC for career passing touchdowns (95) and passing yards (11,931), while ranking 10th in league history for career completions (899) and tied for 13th in career attempts (1,359). In addition, Terrell is the MAC's third all-time leader in career passing completion percentage (66.2%).

A stalwart in the community, Terrell was named to the 2016 AFCA Good Works Team. He has received multiple awards for his service, including the 2014-15 WMU Community Service Award, 2014 Idaho Potato Bowl Humanitarian Award and 2014 WMU Coxswain Spring Leadership Award. Terrell led a mission trip to the Dominican Republic; serves as a leader in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and mentors students at Tree of Life. A Special Olympics volunteer, he has volunteered for MLK day of service; visited kids at Bronson Children's Hospital; and participated in the Project Incentive Christmas program. Terrell has also served food at shelters; volunteered at football camps; and donated his time as a guest speaker for various organizations.

**FALCONS EARN DIVERSITY & INCLUSION AWARD**

Bowling Green's athletics department has earned the NCAA and Minority Opportunities Athletic Association's 2017 Award for Diversity and Inclusion. The department will receive the honor at the NCAA Convention in January in Nashville, Tennessee.

Bowling Green athletics has been proactive in its efforts to engage students in initiatives that promote diversity and address anti-discrimination. The university's student-run social justice program, We Are One Team, has brought together more than 25 different offices, departments, activist groups and student organizations who are connected by a common goal of eliminating social injustice and creating an inclusive environment through sports.

The program also addresses gender inequality; racism; sexism; disability; body image; stereotyping; bullying; and lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual and questioning issues.



**MAC WITH 14 FBS WINS DURING 2016 SEASON**

The MAC concluded its non-conference regular season schedule with 14 FBS wins, which tied for second most for the MAC since 2000. The MAC posted 16 FBS wins in 2012, while this year's 14 FBS wins matched the 2008 mark (14 FBS wins) and surpassed last year's total of 12 FBS wins.

This season the MAC also has four 'Power Five' wins -- Northwestern, Illinois from the Big Ten and Oklahoma State and Kansas from the Big 12.

**NIU HUSKIES A LEADER FOR MOST WINS SINCE 2003**

Northern Illinois has built an impressive resume over the last decade. Specifically, NIU won the MAC West Division for six consecutive years (2010-15), winning three Marathon MAC Football Championship Games (2011, 2012, 2014) and extending its MAC record with eight consecutive bowl invitations.

Since 2003, NIU ranks tied for 22nd in the nation with 118 wins among the current 129 FBS football programs.

**Ranking:** 1. Boise State (156); 2. Ohio State (151); 3. Oklahoma (146); 4. Alabama (143); 5. LSU (140); 6. USC (139); 7. Wisconsin (135); 8. Florida State (134); 9. TCU (133); t10. Georgia (132); t10. Oregon (132); 12. Virginia Tech (130); 13. Clemson (129); 14. Florida (127); t15. Utah (123); t15. Auburn (123); 17. Texas (122); t18. West Virginia (121); t18. BYU (121); 20. Navy (120); 21. Nebraska (119); t22. Louisville (118); **t22. Northern Illinois (118)**; 24. Cincinnati (112); 25. Missouri (112).

In addition, the Huskies have earned wins against non-conference opponents from the larger conferences, or so-called 'Power Five' Conferences.

**Since 2003, NIU, along with the Toledo Rockets, have each won nine games against opponents from the 'Power Five' Conferences, which ranks tied for eighth most among FBS Conferences.**

**Ranking:** t1. Navy (23); t1. BYU (23); 3. Boise State (15); t4. Fresno State (14); t4. Houston (14); 6. East Carolina (13); 7. Hawaii (10); **t8. Northern Illinois (9); t8. Toledo (9).**

NIU has won a game vs. the 'Power Five' programs in three of the last five years and five of the last eight years. NIU wins vs. 'Power Five' programs since 2003: 2014 at Northwestern; 2013 at Iowa; at Purdue; 2012 vs. Kansas; 2010 at Minnesota; 2009 at Purdue; 2003 vs. Maryland; at Alabama; vs. Iowa State.

In 2015 Toledo defeated both Arkansas and Iowa State. Toledo had a stretch of five consecutive years with wins over 'Power Five' Conference opponents from 2006-2010. Toledo wins vs. 'Power Five' programs since 2003: 2015 vs. Arkansas and Iowa State; 2012 vs. Cincinnati; 2010 at Purdue; 2009 vs. Colorado; 2008 at Michigan; 2007 vs. Iowa State; 2006 vs. Kansas; 2003 vs. Pittsburgh.

**SIX MAC STUDENTS SELECTED IN 2016 NFL DRAFT; MAC WITH 76 FORMER STUDENTS ON NFL ROSTERS**

This past Spring the MAC witnessed six former students selected in the 2016 NFL Draft. Leading the way was Western Michigan offensive tackle Willie Beavers, who was selected by the Minnesota Vikings in the fourth round, 121st overall.

Beavers and the six MAC draft choices will pursue their professional careers in the NFL and join the lengthy list of former MAC students now in the NFL. Beavers is one of 76 former MAC students on current NFL rosters.

**MAC Students Selected In 2016 NFL Draft**

4th rd. (121): OT Willie Beavers (Western Michigan) by Minnesota  
5th rd. (140): WR Tajae Sharpe (UMass) by Tennessee  
5th rd. (175): LB Jatavis Brown (Akron) by San Diego  
6th rd. (212): S Kavon Frazier (Central Michigan) by Dallas  
6th rd. (216): RB Darius Jackson (Eastern Michigan) by Dallas  
7th rd. (230): WR Daniel Braverman (Western Michigan) by Chicago

**DAVIS FIRST BRONCO CONSENSUS ALL-AMERICAN**

Western Michigan wide receiver Corey Davis has earned the title of NCAA Consensus All-American after being named to the first-team in three of the five official organizations used to determine the honor. Davis becomes the first player in Western Michigan history and the first from the MAC since Dri Archer of Kent State in 2012 to earn the honor and the eighth league selection in MAC history.

Davis earned Consensus All-American status after receiving first-team all-america honors from the Associated Press, American Football Coaches Association and Football Writers Association of America. He was named Second-Team All-American from the Sporting News and the Walter Camp Football Foundation, the other two official organizations in the pool. To be considered a Consensus All-American one must receive three first-team honors from the above mentioned organizations.

Davis posted his third straight 1,400 yard season this year with a career-high 91 catches for 1,427 yards and 18 touchdowns. Earlier this year he became the all-time leading FBS receiver in history. He now has 5,212 yards in four seasons and is the first receiver in FBS history with four seasons of 900+ yards.

**MAC Consensus All-Americans**

1971 Mel Long, Toledo, DT  
1995 Brad Maynard, Ball State, P  
1996 Brad Maynard, Ball State, P  
1997 Randy Moss, Marshall, WR  
2000 Dwight Smith, Akron, DB  
2010 Eric Page, Toledo, KR/AP  
2012 Dri Archer, Kent State, KR/AP  
2016 Corey Davis, Western Michigan, WR

**MAC HEAD COACHES IN HIGH DEMAND**

Football programs continue to take notice of MAC head coaches. There are 12 former head coaches from the MAC in a current FBS head coaching position—including each of the last two National Champion's with 2015 Alabama's Nick Saban (Toledo) and 2014 Ohio State's Urban Meyer (Bowling Green), and nearly one-third of the ACC (four total). **To begin the 2016 season, 25 of the 128 FBS coaches (19.5%) will be either current or former MAC head coaches.**

**ACC** – Steve Addazio-Boston College (Temple), Dave Doeren-NC State (Northern Illinois), Dave Clawson-Wake Forest (Bowling Green), Dino Babers-Syracuse (Bowling Green).

**Big Ten** – Urban Meyer-Ohio State (Bowling Green), Darrell Hazell-former Purdue (Kent State) head coach.

**Big 12** – Jim Grobe-Baylor (Ohio), Matt Campbell-Iowa State (Toledo).

**Ind.** – Brian Kelly-Notre Dame (Central Michigan), Mark Whipple (UMass).

**SEC**-Nick Saban-Alabama (Toledo), Butch Jones-Tennessee (Central Michigan)

**Sun Belt** – Doug Martin-New Mexico State (Kent State).

**MAC HALL OF FAMER HERB DEROMEDI NAMED TO CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE**

Herb Deromedi, the winningest football coach in MAC and Central Michigan history, was named this past January as one of four new members on the College Football Playoff Selection Committee.

Deromedi will serve a three-year term on the 13-member committee that ranks the top 25 teams and determines the matchups for the four-team football playoff and the host bowls.

Deromedi was selected by members of the College Football Playoff Management Committee, which is made up of all 10 Football Bowl Subdivision commissioners and Notre Dame athletic director Jack Swarbrick.

Deromedi, who was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2007, started at Central Michigan in 1967 as an assistant coach under Roy Kramer. He succeeded Kramer as head coach in 1978 and compiled a 110-55-10 record, including 90 MAC victories.

**FLECK SECOND YOUNGEST FBS HEAD COACH**

For the fourth consecutive year, Western Michigan's P.J. Fleck, 36, is one of the youngest head coach in NCAA Division I (FBS). Fleck is in his fourth year at the helm of the Broncos and won the West Division with a perfect 13-0 record and a 30-21 overall record as head coach. In 2016 Fleck is the second youngest head coach at the FBS level, only to Memphis' new head coach Mike Norvell. The previous three seasons (2013-15) Fleck was the youngest head coach at the FBS level.

Fleck led the Broncos to the program's first ever bowl win with a 45-31 win over Middle Tennessee in the 2015 Popeyes Bahamas Bowl and finished the season with an 8-5 overall record, 6-2 in the MAC with a tie for first place in the West Division. Western Michigan is bowl eligible for the third consecutive year for the first time in program history. In 2014, Western Michigan posted an impressive turnaround with an 8-5 overall record, including the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, after a 1-11 record in 2013.

**Coach, School, Age (Date of Birth)**

Mike Norvell, Memphis 35 (11-11-81)

**P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan 36 (11-29-80)**

Neal Brown, Troy 36 (3-11-80)

**OHIO'S SOLICH MOVING UP MAC CAREER WINS LIST**

Ohio head coach Frank Solich and his Bobcats finished 2016 with an 8-5 overall record. Solich continues to rise up the MAC career head coaching win list with 88 wins, third most in MAC history.

Solich has been a model for consistency in coaching in the MAC. Solich arrived in Athens, Ohio in 2005 and now in his 12th season running the Bobcats program has garnered a bowl appearance in seven of the last eight seasons and eight of his 12 seasons at Ohio. Solich has a 88-65 career coaching record at Ohio.

**Most MAC Head Coaching Wins, Career**

1. 110, Herb Deromedi, Central Michigan, 1978-93

2. 108, Bill Hess, Ohio, 1958-77

3. **88, Frank Solich, Ohio, 2005-present**

**MAC VS BIG TEN OPPONENTS**

Western Michigan's 34-10 win at Illinois (9/17) and 22-21 win over Northwestern (9/3), the MAC has won a regular season game vs. Big Ten opponents in each of the last 11 consecutive seasons (2006-2016), the longest streak in MAC history.

During this 11-year span, MAC teams have defeated 10 different Big Ten teams—Illinois (3); Indiana (5); Iowa (3); Maryland (1); Michigan (1); Michigan State (1); Minnesota (2); Northwestern (2); Penn State (1) and Purdue (5) -- for 24 wins during this span.

2006: Ohio beat Illinois

2007: BGSU beat Minnesota; WMU defeated Iowa

2008: WMU beat Illinois; CMU beat Indiana; Toledo beat Michigan; Ball State beat Indiana

2009: NIU beat Purdue; Central Michigan beat Michigan State

2010: Toledo beat Purdue; NIU beat Minnesota

2011: Ball State beat Indiana

2012: Ohio beat Penn St.; Ball State beat Indiana; CMU beat Iowa

2013: NIU beat Purdue; NIU beat Iowa

2014: BGSU beat Indiana; NIU beat NW; CMU beat Purdue

2015: BGSU beat Maryland and Purdue

2016: WMU beat Northwestern and Illinois

In 2016, the MAC is 2-5 vs. Big Ten opponents, while in 2015 the MAC had a 2-10 overall record vs. the Big Ten -- Bowling Green wins over Purdue and Maryland. **The most wins in a single season by the MAC over Big Ten opponents is four games (2008).**

**In bowl games, the MAC has faced Big Ten opponents in four bowl games (1-3 record) at Ford Field in Detroit.**

• 2003 Bowling Green 28-24 win over Northwestern (Motor City)

• 2007 Purdue 51-48 win over Central Michigan (Motor City)

• 2011 Purdue 37-32 win over Western Michigan (Little Caesars)

• 2015 Minnesota 21-14 win over Central Michigan (Quick Lane)

**MAC 2016 BOWL PARTNERS**

In 2014 the MAC announced the creation of newly created bowl games in Boca Raton, Fla., Nassau, Bahamas and Miami Beach, Fla. for a six-year period (2014-2019), in addition to the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl in Montgomery, Ala.

**These new bowl games increase the guaranteed bowl invitations for the MAC to five each football season.**

The Marmot Boca Raton Bowl, Popeyes Bahamas Bowl and Raycom Media Camellia Bowl join MAC bowl partners Dollar General Bowl (Mobile, Ala.) and Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.) as primary bowl partners.

The MAC is a partner with the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl as a primary partner in 2017 and 2019, and a secondary partner in 2016 and 2018 bowl seasons. The MAC will play the Mountain West in both the 2017 and 2019 bowl seasons, played at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

In the fall of 2014, the MAC announced a six-year (2014-9) backup agreement with the newly-formed Quick Lane Bowl, owned and operated by the Detroit Lions and Ford Field. The MAC also is a backup to various ESPN owned and operated bowl games (St. Petersburg, Fla.; Birmingham, Ala.).

**2016 Bowl Season:**

Dollar General Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)

Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)

Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. AAC/C-USA)

Marmot Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla., vs. AAC/C-USA)

**2017 Bowl Season:**

Dollar General Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)

Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)

San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia (vs. Mountain West)

\*Secondary to ESPN owned and operated bowl games

\*Secondary to Quick Lane Bowl (Detroit, Mich.)

**2018 Bowl Season:**

Mobile Alabama Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)

Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Marmot Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. Conference USA)

Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)

\*Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

\*Secondary to ESPN owned and operated bowl games

\*Secondary to Quick Lane Bowl (Detroit, Mich.)

**2019 Bowl Season:**

Mobile Alabama Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)

Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)

Marmot Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. American)

Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)

San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl (San Diego, Calif.; vs. Mountain West)

\*Secondary to ESPN owned and operated bowl games

\*Secondary to Quick Lane Bowl (Detroit, Mich.)

**FBS HEAD COACHES LEADING THEIR ALMA MATER**

The MAC has three of the 13 FBS head coaches that are leading their alma mater's football programs this 2016 season.

**FBS Head Coaches Leading Their Alma Mater**

Troy Calhoun, Air Force; Bryan Harsin, Boise State; **Mike Neu, Ball State; John Bonamego, Central Michigan; Paul Haynes, Kent State;** Jim Harbaugh, Michigan; Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern; Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State; David Shaw, Stanford; Kliff Kingsbury, Texas Tech; Matt Wells, Utah State; Sean Kugler, UTEP; and Paul Chryst, Wisconsin.

**MAC MEDIA 2016 FOOTBALL PRESEASON POLL**

Earlier this summer members of the media selected Western Michigan and Bowling Green to win the West and East Divisions respectfully in the 2016 MAC Football Media Preseason Poll. Western Michigan was selected to win the 2016 MAC Football Championship Game.

In the East Division, three-time defending East Division Champion Bowling Green was selected first with 136 total points, only two points greater than second-place selection Ohio Bobcats with 134 total points. Akron finished third with 107 points followed by Buffalo, Miami and Kent State.

In the West Division, Western Michigan was selected first in the Division and led the entire poll with 144 total points. Following the Broncos there was a narrow race for second as the Toledo Rockets ranked second with 113 points, while the NIU Huskies finished third with 112 total points. Central Michigan ranked fourth with 98 points, followed by Ball State and Eastern Michigan.

**2016 MAC MEDIA Football Preseason Poll****MAC East Division**

Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1. Bowling Green (12)	136
2. Ohio (10)	134
3. Akron (4)	107
4. Buffalo	75
5. Miami	52
6. Kent State	42

**MAC West Division**

Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1. Western Michigan (19)	144
2. Toledo (2)	113
3. Northern Illinois (3)	112
4. Central Michigan (2)	98
5. Ball State	44
6. Eastern Michigan	35

**MAC FOOTBALL COACHES PRESEASON POLL**

MAC Head Football Coaches have provided their own 2016 Preseason Poll and based upon voting by all 12 head coaches Bowling Green and Western Michigan have been selected to win the East and West Divisions respectfully.

In the East Division a narrow margin of only two points separated first-place and second-place. Bowling Green was selected first with 66 total points followed by second-place Ohio with 64 points. Akron was selected third followed by Buffalo, Miami and Kent State.

In the West Division, only two points separated the top three spots with Western Michigan gathering 60 points, followed by second-place NIU with 59 points and third-place Toledo with 58 points.

**2016 MAC HEAD COACHES Football Preseason Poll****MAC East Division**

Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1. Bowling Green (7)	66
2. Ohio (4)	64
3. Akron (1)	49
4. Buffalo	34
5. Miami	23
6. Kent State	16

**MAC West Division**

Team (First Place Votes)	Points
1. Western Michigan (4)	60
2. Northern Illinois (6)	59
3. Toledo (1)	58
4. Central Michigan (1)	37
5. Ball State	23
6. Eastern Michigan	15

**WINS OVER NON-CONFERENCE FBS OPPONENTS**

This season the MAC has earned 14 non-conference FBS wins and topped last season's total of 12 FBS wins. This year's 14 FBS wins ranks tied for second-most since the 2000 season. The MAC set the Conference single-season record with 16 wins over FBS opponents during the 2012 season. Dating back to the 2000 season, the previous mark for MAC's number of wins vs. FBS opponents was 14 regular season wins in the 2008 season.

**Regular Season Wins vs. non-conference FBS opponents:****Year: Wins; FBS Opponents Defeated:**

**2016:** 14; Northwestern, Arkansas State, Georgia State; Oklahoma State; Kansas; Illinois; Fresno State; UNLV; Marshall; Charlotte; Army; Florida Atlantic; Georgia Southern; Wyoming

**2015:** 12; Arkansas; Maryland; Iowa State; Purdue; FAU; Marshall; Wyoming; UNLV; Idaho; Arkansas State; Louisiana; FIU

**2014:** 8; Purdue; Northwestern; Indiana; Idaho (2); UNLV, Pitt; Army

**2013:** 10; Iowa; Purdue; Virginia; UConn; Tulsa; Marshall; Army; North Texas; Idaho; Navy

**2012:** 16; Penn State; Wyoming; Idaho; New Mexico St.; Army (4); UConn; Marshall; Indiana; Iowa; South Florida; Kansas; Cincinnati; Rutgers

**2011:** 10; Indiana; Army (4); UConn; Idaho; New Mexico State; Marshall; Maryland

**2010:** 7; Minnesota; Purdue; Marshall; Colorado State; UConn; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette

**2009:** 9; Michigan State; Purdue; Colorado; Florida International; Troy; UTEP; North Texas; Army; Navy

**2008:** 14; Navy; Indiana (2); Western Kentucky; Michigan; Idaho; Illinois; Syracuse; Army (3); Pittsburgh; Wyoming; UTEP

**2007:** 10; Navy; Army (2); Idaho; Iowa State (2); Iowa; Minnesota; Syracuse; La-Lafayette

**2006:** 11; Temple (5); Kansas; Virginia; North Carolina State; North Texas; FIU; Illinois

**2005:** 9; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette; Temple (4); Pittsburgh; Middle Tennessee State; Cincinnati

**2004:** 3; Temple (2); Kentucky

**2003:** 9; Kansas State; Northwestern; Colorado State; Cincinnati; Purdue; Maryland; Alabama; Iowa State; Pittsburgh

**2002:** 10; Rutgers; Troy; North Carolina; Cincinnati; UConn; Missouri; Kansas; Wyoming; Wake Forest; UNLV

**2001:** 11; UConn (2); Army; Cincinnati; Missouri; Temple (2); Minnesota; Northwestern; South Florida; Navy

**2000:** 9; Central Florida (2); Vanderbilt; Minnesota; UConn (2); Navy; Penn State; Iowa

**MAC AND ESPN ANNOUNCE HISTORIC 13-YEAR RIGHTS EXTENSION DEAL THROUGH 2016-27 SEASON**

In 2014, the MAC and ESPN announced a 13-year rights agreement that will be the largest and most extensive agreement in the history of the Conference. The extension, which adds provisions to the remaining three years of the original national rights agreement and adds an additional 10 years to the deal with ESPN, brings long-term security for the Conference through the 2026-27 academic year.

This agreement provides ESPN with exclusive television and digital distribution rights for all MAC sporting events, and guarantees coverage of every football game, and select men's and women's basketball and Olympic sporting events through the 2026-27 academic season.

The MAC Football Championship Game and the MAC football regular season is the foundation for the national deal with ESPN. The 2016 MAC football regular season will be highlighted by national coverage of 17 mid-week games during the month of November on ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPN3 as the Conference race unfolds in both the East and West divisions. The MAC Football Championship Game on Friday, Dec. 2 at 7 pm ET will be televised nationally on ESPN2.



# MAC Announces 2016 Post Season Awards

## Western Michigan WR Corey Davis Named MAC Offensive Player of the Year and All-MAC First Team Selection

A total of 29 repeat selections from last year's All-MAC teams highlight this year's postseason football awards in the Mid-American Conference and Western Michigan and Ohio swept the postseason awards. Western Michigan senior wide receiver **Corey Davis** was named the MAC Offensive Player of the Year and Broncos Head Coach **P.J. Fleck** was named the MAC Head Coach of the Year, while Broncos junior kick returner **Darius Phillips** was named MAC Special Teams Player of the Year. Ohio senior defensive end **Tarell Basham** was named MAC Defensive Player of the Year, while Bobcats freshman safety **Javon Hagan** was named MAC Freshman of the Year. In addition, Western Michigan senior quarterback **Zach Terrell** was tabbed as the winner of the 35th Vern Smith Leadership Award.

A native of Wheaton, Ill., Davis started all 13 games this season and has 91 receptions for 1,427 yards and 18 touchdowns. His 18 touchdowns ranks first in the nation and his 1,427 yards is seventh in the country. This season Davis has set the MAC career receiving records for receptions (326), yards (5,212) and touchdowns (51). In addition, he became the all-time leader in FBS history with 5,212 receiving yards. He is the only player in FBS history with 300+ catches, 5,000+ yards and 50+ receiving TDs.

Fleck led the Broncos to the program's first outright West Division title and the first 13-0 mark and 8-0 record in the MAC in program history. The Broncos are just one of two programs in FBS that remain undefeated this season. Western Michigan's current 15-game winning streak is the second longest current streak in the nation. This marks the second-time Fleck has won MAC Coach of the Year, as he earned the honor in 2014 for at the time leading the best turnaround in the country from one win in 2013 to eight wins in 2014. Fleck, who turned 36 on Nov. 29, is the second youngest head coach in FBS.

Basham, a native of Rocky Mount, Va., started all 13 games this past year and led the Ohio defense as the Bobcats won the MAC East Division for the first time since 2011 with an 8-5 record, 6-2 MAC. Basham led the MAC with 11.5 sacks and was second with 15.5 tackles for loss. Basham ranks 16th in the nation with his 11.5 sacks. Basham added 49 tackles, two passes defensed and two forced fumbles and became the all-time sack leader in Ohio history with 30.5 career sacks.

Hagan, a native of Jacksonville, Fla., ranked fifth on the Bobcats with 50 tackles and led the team with five forced fumbles and three interceptions. Hagan added three tackles for loss and 11 passes defensed. Hagan's five forced fumbles tied for the lead in the MAC and ranked tied for fourth in the nation.

Phillips, a native of Detroit, Mich., has been an electrifying runner throughout his collegiate career and has both a punt return and kickoff return for a touchdown during the 2016 season. Phillips has 18 punt returns for 222 yards (12.3 avg.) and one return for a touchdown this season. In addition, Phillips has 36 kickoff returns for 818 yards (22.7 avg.) and one touchdown this year.

A native of Fort Wayne, Ind., Terrell was voted by the Conference head coaches as the 35th Vern Smith Leadership Award winner. The award is presented annually in honor of Vern Smith, the former University of Toledo Athletic Director. Terrell has started all 13 games and has thrown for 3,376 yards on 247-349 passing and 32 touchdowns. Terrell ranks fourth in the nation in passing efficiency with a 180.6 rating on his 32-to-3 touchdowns-to-interception ratio. His 32 touchdowns are 10th in the nation. Terrell ranks fourth in MAC history with 95 career passing touchdowns and fourth in MAC history with 11,931 passing yards.

Toledo led the way in 2016 with seven First-Team selections, followed by Western Michigan and Ohio with four First-Team selections each. Overall, Western Michigan set the pace with 14 All-MAC honorees, followed by Toledo with 12 honorees and Ohio with 10 honorees.

Western Michigan's Corey Davis was the only three-time First Team All-MAC honoree in this year's honors. There were a total of five students named to their second consecutive First-Team selection: offensive lineman Storm Norton (Toledo), wide receiver Corey Davis (Western Michigan), defensive lineman Terence Waugh (Kent State), punter Joe Davidson (Bowling Green) and kick returner Aregeros Turner (Northern Illinois).

### 2016 MAC Specialty Award Winners

**Coach of the Year: P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan**

**Offensive Player of the Year: WR Corey Davis, Western Michigan**

**Defensive Player of the Year: DE Tarell Basham, Ohio**

**Special Teams Player of the Year: KR Darius Phillips, Western Michigan**

**Freshman of the Year: S Javon Hagan, Ohio**

**Vern Smith Leadership Award Winner: QB Zach Terrell, Western Michigan**

### All-MAC First Team Offense

**Position – Name – School**

QB – Logan Woodside, Toledo  
 OL – Taylor Moton, Western Michigan !  
 OL – Storm Norton, Toledo ^  
 OL – Chukwuma Okorafor, Western Michigan  
 OL – Max Scharping, Northern Illinois  
 OL – Mike Ebert, Toledo  
 TE – Michael Roberts, Toledo  
 WR – Corey Davis, Western Michigan ^&@  
 WR – Kenny Golladay, Northern Illinois \*  
 WR – Cody Thompson, Toledo  
 WR – Scott Miller, Bowling Green  
 RB – Kareem Hunt, Toledo \*&  
 RB – James Gilbert, Ball State  
 K – Louis Zervos, Ohio

### All-MAC First Team Defense

**Position – Name – School**

OLB – Blair Brown, Ohio  
 OLB – Ulysees Gilbert, Akron  
 ILB – Quentin Poling, Ohio !  
 ILB – Malik Fountain, Central Michigan  
 DL – Tarell Basham, Ohio %  
 DL – Terence Waugh, Kent State ^  
 DL – John Stepec, Toledo  
 DL – Pat O'Connor, Eastern Michigan &  
 DB – Darius Phillips, Western Michigan \*  
 DB – Amari Coleman, Central Michigan  
 DB – Heath Harding, Miami  
 DB – Najee Murray, Kent State  
 P – Joe Davidson, Bowling Green ^

### All-MAC First Team Specialists

**Position – Name – School**

KR – Aregeros Turner, Northern Illinois ^  
 PR – JoJo Natson, Akron

### All-MAC Second Team Offense

**Position – Name – School**

QB – Zach Terrell, Western Michigan !+  
 OL – John Keenoy, Western Michigan  
 OL – Troy Watson, Ohio  
 OL – Levon Myers, Northern Illinois \*  
 OL – Collin Buchanan, Miami  
 OL – Cole Gardner, Eastern Michigan  
 TE – Mason Schreck, Buffalo  
 WR – Corey Willis, Central Michigan  
 WR – KeVonn Mabon, Ball State !%  
 WR – Jon'Vea Johnson, Toledo  
 WR – JoJo Natson, Akron  
 RB – Jarvion Franklin, Western Michigan &  
 RB – Joel Bouagnon, Northern Illinois ^  
 K – Paul Fricano, Eastern Michigan

### All-MAC Second Team Defense

**Position – Name – School**

OLB – Trenton Greene, Bowling Green \*  
 OLB – Asantay Brown, Western Michigan !  
 ILB – Robert Spillane, Western Michigan  
 ILB – Khalil Hodge, Buffalo  
 DL – Joe Ostman, Central Michigan %  
 DL – JT Jones, Miami !  
 DL – Treyvon Hester, Toledo +#  
 DL – Keion Adams, Western Michigan  
 DB – Shawun Lurry, Northern Illinois ^  
 DB – DeJuan Rogers, Toledo !  
 DB – Javon Hagan, Ohio  
 DB – Jerrell Foster, Kent State  
 P – Austin Barnes, Eastern Michigan

### All-MAC Second Team Specialists

**Position – Name – School**

KR – Darius Phillips, Western Michigan \*%  
 PR – Darius Phillips, Western Michigan

### All-MAC Third Team Offense

**Position – Name – School**

QB – Cooper Rush, Central Michigan \*  
 OL – Andrew Wylie, Eastern Michigan  
 OL – Jake Pruehs, Ohio  
 OL – Tim McAuliffe, Bowling Green  
 OL – Logan Dietz, Bowling Green  
 OL – James O'Hagan, Buffalo  
 TE – Donnie Ernsberger, Western Michigan  
 WR – Jerome Lane, Akron  
 WR – Sebastian Smith, Ohio !  
 WR – Sergio Bailey II, Eastern Michigan  
 WR – James Gardner, Miami  
 RB – Jordan Johnson, Buffalo  
 RB – Fred Coppet, Bowling Green  
 K – Tom O'Leary, Akron

### All-MAC Third Team Defense

**Position – Name – School**

OLB – Sean Wiggins, Ball State ^  
 OLB – De'Andre Montgomery, Miami  
 ILB – Ja'Wuan Woodley, Toledo  
 ILB – Junior McMullen, Miami  
 DL – Jeremiah Harris, Eastern Michigan  
 DL – Jon Cunningham, Kent State  
 DL – Casey Sayles, Ohio  
 DL – Anthony Winbush, Ball State  
 DB – Justin Ferguson, Western Michigan  
 DB – Josh Cox, Central Michigan  
 DB – DaQuan Pace, Eastern Michigan  
 DB – Jamari Bozeman, Bowling Green  
 P – Michael Farkas, Ohio

### All-MAC Third Team Specialists

**Position – Name – School**

KR – Maurice Thomas, Miami  
 PR – Corey Jones, Toledo ^

@ 2013 Second-Team All-MAC  
 # 2013 Third-Team All-MAC

^ 2015 First-Team All-MAC  
 \* 2015 Second-Team All-MAC  
 ! 2015 Third-Team All-MAC

& 2014 First-Team All-MAC  
 + 2014 Second-Team All-MAC  
 % 2014 Third-Team All-MAC

# MAC CAREER LEADERS

## Most Attempts Career:

1. 1,763, Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
2. 1,672, Zac Dysert (MIA), 2009-12
3. 1,642, Tyler Wenning (BSU), 2010-13
4. 1,608, Tim Hiller (WMU), 2005, 07-09
5. 1,598, Cooper Rush (CMU), 2013-16
6. 1,507, Tim Lester (WMU) 1996-99
7. 1,494, Tyler Sheehan (BGSU), 2006-09
8. 1,442, Byron Leftwich (MAR), 1999-02
9. 1,441, Walter Church (EMU), 1996-00
10. 1,436, Charlie Frye (UA), 2001-04
11. 1,427, Brian McClure (BGSU), 1982-85
12. 1,370, Brad Tayles (WMU), 1989-92
13. 1,359, Zach Terrell (WMU), 2013-16
- 1,359, Joe Licata (Buffalo), 2012-15
15. 1,347, Ryan Radcliff (CMU), 2009-12
16. 1,322, Drew Willy (UB), 2005-08
17. 1,316, Spencer Keith (KSU), 2009-12
18. 1,304, Ben Roethlisberger (MIA), 2001-03
19. 1,265, Chad Pennington (MAR), 1997-99
20. 1,224, Matt Schilz (BGSU), 2010-13
21. 1,215, Alex Carder (WMU), 2009-12
22. 1,172, Tyler Tettleton (OU), 2009-13
23. 1,124, Nate Davis (BSU), 2006-08
24. 1,123, Joshua Cribbs (KSU), 2001-04
- 1,123, Bruce Gradkowski (UT), 2002-05

## Most Completions Career:

1. 1,171, Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
2. 1,066, Zac Dysert (MIA), 2009-12
3. 1,034, Keith Wenning (BSU), 2010-13
4. 1,013, Tim Hiller (WMU), 2005, 07-09
5. 997, Cooper Rush (CMU), 2013-16
6. 966, Tyler Sheehan (BGSU), 2006-09
7. 939, Byron Leftwich (MAR), 1999-02
8. 913, Charlie Frye (UA), 2001-04
9. 900, Brian McClure (BGSU), 1982-85
10. 899, Zach Terrell (WMU), 2013-16
11. 875, Tim Lester (WMU), 1996-99
12. 854, Ben Roethlisberger (MIA), 2001-03
13. 849, Drew Willy (UB), 2005-08
14. 823, Joe Licata (UB), 2012-15
15. 822, Chad Pennington (MAR), 1997-99
16. 807, Walter Church (EMU) 1996-00
17. 791, Ryan Radcliff (CMU), 2009-12
18. 769, Alex Carder (WMU), 2009-12
19. 766, Bruce Gradkowski (UT), 2003-05
20. 732, Tyler Tettleton (Ohio), 2009-13
- 732, Spencer Keith (KSU), 2009-12
22. 714, Matt Schilz (BGSU), 2010-13
23. 687, Chandler Harnish (NIU), 2008-11
24. 678, Nate Davis (BSU), 2006-08
25. 669, Terrance Owens (UT), 2010-13

## Most Yards Passing In A Career:

1. 12,905, Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
2. 12,646, Cooper Rush (CMU), 2013-16
3. 12,013, Zac Dysert (MIA), 2009-12
4. 11,931, Zach Terrell (WMU), 2013-16
5. 11,903, Byron Leftwich (MAR), 1999-02
6. 11,402, Keith Wenning (BSU), 2010-13
7. 11,329, Tim Hiller (WMU), 2005, 07-09
8. 11,299, Tim Lester (WMU) 1996-99
9. 11,049, Charlie Frye (UA), 2001-04
10. 10,829, Ben Roethlisberger (MIA) 2001-03
11. 10,688, Chad Pennington (MAR), 1997-99
12. 10,280, Brian McClure (BGSU), 1982-85
13. 10,117, Tyler Sheehan (BGSU), 2006-09
14. 9,917, Ryan Radcliff (CMU), 2009-12
15. 9,485, Joe Licata (Buffalo), 2012-15
16. 9,233, Nate Davis (BSU), 2006-08
17. 9,225, Bruce Gradkowski (UT), 2002-05
18. 9,142, Walter Church (EMU), 1996-00
19. 9,109, Tyler Tettleton (Ohio), 2009-13
20. 8,944, Chandler Harnish (NIU), '08-11
21. 8,886, Alex Carder (WMU), 2009-12
22. 8,845, Matt Johnson (BGSU), 2012-15
23. 8,748, Drew Willy (UB), 2005-08
24. 8,717, Brad Tayles (WMU), 1989-92
25. 8,203, Terrance Owens (UT), 2010-13

## Most Touchdown Passes Career:

1. 102, Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
2. 100, Chad Pennington (MAR), 1997-99
3. 99, Tim Hiller (WMU), 2005, 07-09
4. 95, Zach Terrell (WMU), 2013-16
5. 92, Keith Wenning (BSU), 2010-13
6. 90, Cooper Rush (CMU), 2013-16
7. 89, Byron Leftwich (MAR) 1999-02
8. 87, Tim Lester (WMU), 1996-99
9. 85, Bruce Gradkowski (UT), 2003-04
10. 84, Ben Roethlisberger (MIA), 2001-03
11. 76, Joe Licata (Buffalo), 2012-15
12. 74, Alex Carder (WMU), 2009-12
- 74, Nate Davis (BSU), 2006-08
14. 73, Zac Dysert (MIA), 2009-12
- 73, Matt Johnson (BGSU), 2012-15
16. 71, Omar Jacobs (BGSU) 2003-05
17. 70, Tyler Sheehan (BGSU), 2006-09
18. 68, Chandler Harnish (NIU), 2008-11
19. 67, Tyler Tettleton (Ohio), 2009-13
20. 65, Ryan Radcliff (CMU), 2009-12
21. 64, Charlie Frye (UA), 2001-03
22. 63, Terrance Owens (UT), 2010-13
- 63, Brian McClure (BGSU), 1982-85
24. 57, Jose Davis (KSU), 1997-99
25. 55, Josh Harris (BGSU), 2000-03
- 55, Josh Haldi (NIU), 2001-04

## Pass Completion Pct. Career: (min. 500 att.)

1. .682 (766-1,123), Bruce Gradkowski (UT), 2002-05
2. .664 (1,171-1,763), Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
3. .661 (899-1,359), Zach Terrell (WMU), 2013-16
4. .654 (853-1,304), Ben Roethlisberger (MIA) 2001-03
- .654 (655-1,002), Matt Johnson (BGSU), 2012-15
6. .651 (939-1,442), Byron Leftwich (MAR), 1999-02
7. .647 (966-1,493), Tyler Sheehan (BGSU), 2006-09
8. .645 (459-711), Ryan Schneider (UCF), 2002-03
9. .644 (523-811), Omar Jacobs (BGSU), 2003-05
10. .642 (849-1,322), Drew Willy (UB), 2005-08
11. .638 (1,066-1,672), Zac Dysert (MIA), 2009-12
- .638 (807-1,265), Chad Pennington (MAR) 1997-99
13. .636 (913-1,436), Charlie Frye (UA) 2001-04
14. .633 (769-1,215), Alex Carder (WMU), 2009-12
15. .631 (669-1,061), Terrance Owens (UT), 2010-13
- .631 (900-1,427), Brian McClure (BGSU), 1982-85
17. .630 (1,034-1,642), Keith Wenning (BSU), 2010-2013
- .630 (1,013-1,607), Tim Hiller (WMU), 2005, 07-09
- .630 (397-630), Phil Horvath (NIU), 2004-06
20. .628 (607-966), Andy Schmitt (EMU), 2006-09
21. .625 (732-1,172), Tyler Tettleton (Ohio), 2009-13
22. .624 (997-1,598), Cooper Rush (CMU), 2013-16
23. .623 (418-671), Stan Hill (MAR) 2002-04
24. .619 (687-1,110), Chandler Harnish (NIU), 2008-2011
25. .618 (509-824), Jordan Lynch (NIU), 2010-2013

## Most Touchdowns Rushing Career:

1. 73, Travis Prentice (MIA), 1996-99
2. 55, Chester Taylor (UT), 1998-01
3. 53, Bernard Terce (Temple), 2009-11
4. 52, Garrett Wolfe (NIU), 2004-06
5. 51, Jahwan Edwards (BSU), 2011-14
6. 49, Kareem Wilson (OU), 1995-98
- 49, Chad Spann (NIU), 2007-10
8. 48, Jordan Lynch (NIU), 2010-13
9. 47, Dan LeFevour (CMU), 2006-09
10. 45, Kalvin McRae (OU), 2004-07
11. 43, Curtis Adams (CMU), 1981-84
- 43, Josh Harris (BGSU) 2000-03
- 43, Michael Turner (NIU) 2000-03
14. 42, Kareem Hunt (Toledo), 2013-16
15. 41, Jarvion Franklin (WMU), 2014-16
- 41, Robert Sanford (WMU), 1997-00
17. 39, Jerome Persell (WMU), 1976-78
- 39, Dave Preston (BGSU), 1973-76
- 39, Brandon Payne (UA), 1999-2002
20. 38, Joshua Cribbs (KSU), 2001-04
- 38, Travis Greene (BGSU), 2012-15
22. 36, Eric Wilkenson (KSU), 1985-88
- 36, Larry Poole (KSU), 1972-74
24. 34, Marcus Merriweather (BSU), 1999-02
- 34, James Starks (UB), 2006-08

## Most Yards Rushing Career:

1. 5,596, Travis Prentice (MIA), 1996-99
2. 5,164, Garrett Wolfe (NIU), 2004-06
3. 4,941, Michael Turner (NIU), 2000-03
4. 4,825, Kareem Hunt (Toledo), 2013-16
5. 4,659, Chester Taylor (UT) 1998-01
- 4,558, Jahwan Edwards (BSU), 2011-14
7. 4,398, Kalvin McRae (OU), 2004-07
8. 4,368, Deland McCullough (MIA), 1992-95
9. 4,343, Jordan Lynch (NIU), 2010-13
10. 4,338, Wasean Lait (UT), 1993-96, 1998
11. 4,219, Robert Sanford (WMU), 1997-00
12. 4,190, Jerome Persell (WMU), 1976-78
13. 4,172, George Swann (MIA), 1983-86
14. 4,162, Curtis Adams (CMU), 1981-84
15. 4,049, Brandon Oliver (Buffalo), 2010-13
16. 4,002, Marcus Merriweather (BSU), 1999-02
17. 3,989, Astron Whatley (KSU), 1994-97
18. 3,972, Steveland Hookfnn (OU), 1995-98
19. 3,852, Travis Greene (BGSU), 2012-15
20. 3,830, Eric Wilkerson (KSU), 1985-88
21. 3,721, Eugene Jarvis (KSU), 2006-10
22. 3,693, Brian Pruitt (CMU), 1992-94
23. 3,671, Brandon West (WMU), 2006-09
24. 3,670, Joshua Cribbs (KSU), 2001-04
25. 3,597, Kareem Wilson (OU) 1995-98

## Most Receptions - Career:

1. 326, Corey Davis (WMU), 2013-16
2. 306, Jordan White (WMU), 2006-11
- 306, Eric Page (UT), 2009-11
- 306, Josh Davis (MAR), 2001-04
5. 305, Antonio Brown (CMU), 2007-09
6. 297, Freddie Barnes (BGSU), 2006-09
7. 283, Bryan Anderson (CMU), 2006-09
8. 277, Tajae Sharpe (UMass), 2012-15
9. 272, Darius Watts (MAR), 2000-03
10. 268, Naaman Roosevelt (UB), 2006-09
11. 260, Jamarko Simmons (WMU), 2005-08
12. 258, Ryne Robinson (MIA) 2003-06
13. 248, Eric Deslauriers (EMU), 2003-06
14. 238, Dante Ridgeway (BSU), 2002-04
- 238, Greg Jennings (WMU) 2002-05
16. 235, Steve Neal (WMU), 1997-00
17. 232, Charles Sharon (BGSU), 2002-05
18. 230, Cody Wilson (CMU), 2009-12
19. 229, Eugene Baker (KSU), 1995-98
- 229, Stephen Williams (UT), 2006-09
- 229, Nick Harwell (MIA), 2010-12
22. 223, Willie Snead (BSU), 2011-13
23. 222, Lance Moore (UT), 2001-04
24. 215, Cole Magner (BGSU) 2001-04
25. 213, Daniel Braverman (WMU), 2012-15

## Most Receiving Yards - Career:

1. 5,212, Corey Davis (WMU), 2013-16
2. 4,187, Jordan White (WMU), 2006-11
- 4,031, Darius Watts (MAR), 2000-03
- 3,889, Josh Davis (MAR), 2001-04
5. 3,700, Titus Davis (CMU), 2011-14
6. 3,697, Ryne Robinson (MIA), 2003-06
7. 3,648, Bryan Anderson (CMU), 2006-09
8. 3,599, Steve O'Neal (WMU) 1997-00
9. 3,551, Naaman Roosevelt, (UB), 2006-09
10. 3,539, Greg Jennings (WMU), 2002-05
11. 3,513, Eugene Baker (KSU), 1995-98
12. 3,486, Tajae Sharpe (UMass), 2012-15
13. 3,450, Charles Sharon (BGSU), 2002-04
14. 3,446, Eric Page (UT), 2009-11
15. 3,290, Freddie Barnes (BGSU), 2006-09
16. 3,250, Eric Deslauriers (EMU), 2003-06
17. 3,199, Antonio Brown (CMU), 2007-09
18. 3,166, Nick Harwell (MIA), 2010-12
19. 3,131, Martin Nance (MIA), 2002-05
- 3,102, Stephen Williams (UT), 2006-09
21. 3,094, Alex Neutz (Buffalo), 2010-13
22. 3,076, Alonzo Russell (Toledo), 2012-15
23. 3,053, Reggie Allen (CMU), 1995-98
24. 3,030, Dante Ridgeway (BSU), 2002-04
25. 3,019, Jamarko Simmons (WMU), 2006-08

## Most Touchdown Receptions - Career:

1. 51, Corey Davis (WMU), 2013-16
2. 47, Darius Watts (MAR), 2000-03
3. 39, Greg Jennings (WMU) 2002-04
4. 37, Titus Davis (CMU), 2011-14
5. 35, Eugene Baker (KSU), 1995-98
6. 34, Charles Sharon (BGSU), 2001-04
- 32, Jordan White (WMU), 2006-11
- 32, Michael Larkin (MIA), 2001-04
9. 31, Alex Neutz (UB), 2010-13
10. 30, Freddie Barnes (BGSU), 2006-09
11. 29, Justin McCareins (NIU), 1997-2000
12. 28, Naaman Roosevelt (UB), 2006-09
- 28, Bryan Anderson (CMU), 2006-09
14. 27, Steve Neal (WMU), 1997-2000
- 27, Ronnie Redd (BGSU), 1991-94
- 27, Eric Deslauriers (EMU), 2003-06
- 26, Willie Snead (BSU), 2011-13
18. 25, Eric Page (UT), 2009-11
- 25, Randy Moss (MAR), 1997
- 25, Robert Redd (BGSU), 1999-02
- 25, Lance Moore (UT) 2001-04
- 25, Corey Alston (WMU), 1997-2000
24. 24, Brian Oliver (BSU), 1991-94
- 24, Darius Hill (BSU), 2005-07
- 24, Juan Nunez (WMU), 2007-10
- 24, Martel Moore (NIU), 2009-12
- 24, Jordan Williams (BSU), 2013-15
- 24, Alonzo Russell (Toledo), 2012-15



## SEVENTY-SIX (76) FORMER MAC STUDENTS ON NFL ROSTERS

<b>Arizona (4)</b>			<b>Jacksonville (2)</b>			<b>San Diego (4)</b>		
DE Nordly Capi-PS	1	Akron	DL Richard Ash-PS	1	Western Michigan	DB Jahleel Addae	4	Central Michigan
QB Zac Dysert-PS	2	Miami	RB Bronson Hill-PS	1	Eastern Michigan	LB Jatavis Brown	R	Akron
LB Gabe Martin	1	Bowling Green				TE Antonio Gates	14	Kent State
OL Martin Wallace-PS	2	Temple	<b>Kansas City (4)</b>			RB Branden Oliver-IR	3	Buffalo
<b>Buffalo (2)</b>			OL Eric Fisher	4	Central Michigan	<b>San Francisco (4)</b>		
LB Bryson Albright-PS	R	Miami	LB Justin March-IR	2	Akron	LB Nick Bellore	6	Central Michigan
RB Dri Archer-Reserve List	3	Kent State	OL Jarrod Pughsley-PS	1	Akron	OT Joe Staley	10	Central Michigan
<b>Chicago (2)</b>			LB Frank Zombo	7	Central Michigan	WR Rod Streater	5	Temple
WR Daniel Braverman-PS	R	Western Michigan	<b>Miami (2)</b>			DB Jimmie Ward	3	Northern Illinois
OL Josh Sitton	9	Central Florida	DT Chris Jones	4	Bowling Green	<b>Seattle (1)</b>		
<b>Cincinnati (1)</b>			DE Jason Jones	9	Eastern Michigan	RB Thomas Rawls	2	Central Michigan
WR Alonzo Russell-PS	R	Toledo	<b>Minnesota (2)</b>			<b>Tampa Bay (2)</b>		
<b>Cleveland (2)</b>			OL Willie Beavers	R	Western Michigan	DB Jude Adjei-Barimah	2	Bowling Green
OL John Greco	9	Toledo	OL Zac Kerin	2	Toledo	DT Rodney Coe-PS	R	Akron
WR Andrew Hawkins	6	Toledo	<b>New England (1)</b>			<b>Tennessee (4)</b>		
<b>Dallas (4)</b>			WR Julian Edelman	8	Kent State	RB David Fluellen-PS	1	Toledo
S Barry Church	7	Toledo	<b>New Orleans (3)</b>			P Brett Kern	9	Toledo
S Kavon Frazier	R	Central Michigan	WR Tommy Lee Lewis	R	Northern Illinois	OL Josh Kline	4	Kent State
OT Doug Free	10	Northern Illinois	WR Willie Snead	2	Ball State	WR Tajae Sharpe	R	UMass
RB Darius Jackson	R	Eastern Michigan	WR Jordan Williams-PS	R	Ball State	<b>Washington (3)</b>		
<b>Denver (1)</b>			<b>N.Y. Giants (1)</b>			DL Cullen Jenkins	13	Central Michigan
K Brandon McManus	3	Temple	WR Roger Lewis	R	Bowling Green	OL Kory Lichtensteiger	8	Bowling Green
<b>Detroit (3)</b>			<b>N.Y. Jets (4)</b>			T Isaiah Williams-PS	R	Akron
K Matt Prater	10	Central Florida	LB Freddie Bishop-PS	1	Western Michigan	PS - Practice Squad; IR - Injured-Reserve List		
S Ian Wells-IR	R	Ohio	WR Brandon Marshall	11	Central Florida	(As of NFL Rosters on Oct. 28, 2016)		
LB Tahir Whitehead	5	Temple	DT Muhammad Wilkerson	6	Temple	Currently there are 76 former MAC students on		
<b>Green Bay (5)</b>			OL Brian Winters	4	Kent State	rosters across the National Football League.		
LB Jayrone Elliott	3	Toledo	<b>Oakland (2)</b>			In the 2014 NFL Draft, the MAC had two former		
OL T.J. Lang	8	Eastern Michigan	DB Travis Carrie	3	Ohio	students selected in the first round for only the		
DB Quinten Rollins	2	Miami (Ohio)	LB Khalil Mack	3	Buffalo	second time in MAC history. Former Buffalo LB		
P Jacob Schum	2	Buffalo	<b>Philadelphia (2)</b>			Khalil Mack was picked No. 5 overall by Oakland,		
RB James Starks	7	Buffalo	OL Brandon Brooks	5	Miami (Ohio)	while former Northern Illinois S Jimmie Ward was		
<b>Houston (1)</b>			DE Steven Means	2	Buffalo	picked No. 30 overall by San Francisco. The last		
OL Greg Mancz	2	Toledo	<b>Pittsburgh (7)</b>			time the MAC had two selected in the first round		
<b>Indianapolis (3)</b>			WR Antonio Brown	7	Central Michigan	was 2004 when former Miami QB Ben Roethlis-		
DB Rashaan Melvin	4	Northern Illinois	QB Bruce Gradkowski-IR	11	Toledo	berger was picked No. 11 overall by Pittsburgh,		
OT Joe Reitz	6	Western Michigan	LB James Harrison	14	Kent State	and former Western Michigan DE Jason Babin was		
DL Kristjan Sokoli-PS	2	Buffalo	FS Mike Mitchell	8	Ohio	taken 27th overall by the Houston Texans.		
			FB Roosevelt Nix	2	Kent State			
			QB Ben Roethlisberger	13	Miami (Ohio)			
			DL L.T. Walton	2	Central Michigan			

**MAC EAST VS. MAC WEST**

In 2016, the East and West Divisions faced each other in 18 cross-over regular season games and the West Division was 12-6 against the East Division and Western Michigan won the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game. Over the previous nine years (2008-2016), the MAC West has had the upper hand in crossover regular season games against the MAC East, winning the head-to-head regular season series in eight of the last nine years as the West holds a 109-53 (.673%) regular season record in crossover games over the East during that span.

The West Division has a 5-4 lead in the last nine Marathon MAC Football Championship Games. From the West Division, Western Michigan (2016), Northern Illinois (2011, 2012, 2014) and Central Michigan (2009) have won the Conference Championship five times, while the East Division has won four crowns with Bowling Green (2015, 2013), Miami (2010) and Buffalo (2008).

**Year; Regular Season East vs. West; MAC Champion**

2016 West 12-6; Western Michigan (West) def. Ohio (East), 29-23.  
 2015 West 11-7; Bowling Green (East) def. NIU (West), 34-14.  
 2014 West 15-3; NIU (West) def. Bowling Green (East), 51-17.  
 2013 West 12-6; Bowling Green (East) def. NIU (West), 47-27.  
 2012 West 12-6; NIU (West) def. Kent State (East) 44-37 in 2 OT.  
 2011 West 14-4; NIU (West) def. Ohio (East), 23-20.  
 2010 West 12-6; Miami (East) def. NIU (West), 26-21.  
 2009 East 11-7; Central Michigan (West) def. Ohio (East), 20-10.  
 2008 West 14-4; Buffalo (East) def. Ball State (West), 42-24.

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### 2016 Akron Zips (5-7, 3-5)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	Virginia Military Institute	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 47-24
Sat., Sept. 10	at Wisconsin	3:30 pm ET	Big Ten Network	L, 10-54
Sat., Sept. 17	at Marshall	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 65-38
Sat., Sept. 24	Appalachian State	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 38-45
Sat., Oct. 1	*at Kent State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-27
Sat., Oct. 8	*Miami	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 35-13
Sat., Oct. 15	*Western Michigan	3:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 0-41
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Ball State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 35-25
Thur., Oct. 27	*at Buffalo	7:30 pm ET	TWCS/ESPN3	L, 20-41
Wed., Nov. 2	*Toledo	7:30 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 17-48
Wed., Nov. 9	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 28-38
Tue., Nov. 22	*at Ohio	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 3-9

\*Mid-American Conference game

### 2016 Ball State Cardinals (4-8, 1-7)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Sept. 2	at Georgia State	7:00 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 31-21
Sat., Sept. 10	at Indiana	4:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-30
Sat., Sept. 17	Eastern Kentucky	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 41-14
Sat., Sept. 24	at Florida Atlantic	6:00 pm ET	C-USA Network	W, 31-27
Sat., Oct. 1	*Northern Illinois	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 24-31
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 21-24
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-21
Sat., Oct. 22	*Akron	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 25-35
Tue., Nov. 1	*Western Michigan	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 20-52
Tue., Nov. 8	*Eastern Michigan	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 41-48
Wed., Nov. 16	*at Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 19-37
Tue., Nov. 22	*at Miami	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-21

\*Mid-American Conference game

### 2016 Bowling Green Falcons (4-8, 3-5)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	at Ohio State	Noon ET	Big Ten Network	L, 10-77
Sat., Sept. 10	North Dakota	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 27-26
Sat., Sept. 17	Middle Tennessee	Noon ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 21-41
Sat., Sept. 24	at Memphis	8:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 3-77
Sat., Oct. 1	*Eastern Michigan	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 25-28
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 24-30
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Toledo	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 35-42
Sat., Oct. 22	*Miami	Noon ET	ESPN3	L, 26-40
Tue., Nov. 1	*at NIU	8:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-45
Wed., Nov. 9	*at Akron	8:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 38-28
Tue., Nov. 15	*Kent State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 42-7
Fri., Nov. 25	*Buffalo	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 27-19

\*Mid-American Conference game

### 2016 Buffalo Bulls (2-10, 1-7)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Sept. 2	Albany	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 16-22
Sat., Sept. 17	at Nevada	9:00 pm ET	Mountain West Network	L, 14-38
Sat., Sept. 24	Army	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 23-20 (OT)
Sat., Oct. 1	at Boston College	1:00 pm ET	ACC Network Extra/ESPN3	L, 3-35
Sat., Oct. 8	*Kent State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-44
Sat., Oct. 15	*Ball State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 21-31
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Northern Illinois	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 7-44
Thur., Oct. 27	*Akron	7:30 pm ET	TWCS/ESPN3	W, 41-20
Thur., Nov. 3	*at Ohio	6:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 10-34
Sat., Nov. 12	*Miami	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 24-35
Sat., Nov. 19	*at Western Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 0-38
Fri., Nov. 25	*at Bowling Green	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 19-27

\*Mid-American Conference game

### 2016 Central Michigan Chippewas (6-6, 3-5)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Sept. 1	Presbyterian	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 49-37
Sat., Sept. 10	at Oklahoma State	Noon ET	FS1	W, 30-27
Sat., Sept. 17	UNLV	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 44-21
Sat., Sept. 24	at Virginia	12:30 pm ET	ACC Regional Sports Network	L, 35-49
Sat., Oct. 1	*Western Michigan	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 10-49
Sat., Oct. 8	*Ball State	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 24-21
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Northern Illinois	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 34-28 (3OT)
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Toledo	Noon ET	BCSN/TWCS/ESPN3	L, 17-31
Sat., Oct. 29	*Kent State	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 24-27
Fri., Nov. 4	*at Miami	6:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 17-37
Tue., Nov. 15	*Ohio	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 27-20
Tue., Nov. 22	*at Eastern Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 21-26
Mon., Dec. 19	vs. Tulsa (Miami Beach Bowl)	2:30 pm ET	ESPN	

\*Mid-American Conference game

### 2016 Eastern Michigan Eagles (7-5, 4-4)



Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Sept. 2	Mississippi Valley State	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 61-14
Sat., Sept. 10	at Missouri	7:30 pm ET	SEC Network Alternate	L, 21-61
Sat., Sept. 17	at Charlotte	6:00 pm ET	TBA	W, 37-19
Fri., Sept. 23	Wyoming	7:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 27-24
Sat., Oct. 1	*at Bowling Green	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 28-25
Sat., Oct. 8	*Toledo	3:00 pm ET	BCSN/TWCS/ESPN3	L, 20-35
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 27-20
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Western Michigan	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 31-45
Sat., Oct. 29	*Miami	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	L, 15-28
Tue., Nov. 8	*at Ball State	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 48-41
Wed., Nov. 16	*at Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 24-31 (OT)
Tue., Nov. 22	*Central Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 26-21
Fri., Dec. 23	vs. Old Dominion (Popeyes Bahamas Bowl)	1:00 pm ET	ESPN	

\*Mid-American Conference game





### 2016 Kent State Golden Flashes (3-9, 2-6)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	at Penn State	3:30 pm ET	Big Ten Network	L, 13-33
Sat., Sept. 10	North Carolina A&T	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 36-39 (4OT)
Sat., Sept. 17	Monmouth	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 27-7
Sat., Sept. 24	at Alabama	Noon ET	SEC Network	L, 0-48
Sat., Oct. 1	*Akron	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 27-31
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 44-20
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 14-18
Sat., Oct. 22	*Ohio	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 10-14
Sat., Oct. 29	*at Central Michigan	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 27-24
Tue., Nov. 8	*Western Michigan	7:30 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 21-37
Tue., Nov. 15	*at Bowling Green	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 7-42
Fri., Nov. 25	*Northern Illinois	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 21-31

\*Mid-American Conference game



### 2016 Miami RedHawks (6-6, 6-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	at Iowa	3:30 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 21-45
Sat., Sept. 10	Eastern Illinois	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 17-21
Sat., Sept. 17	Western Kentucky	3:30 pm ET	BCSN/TWCS/ESPN3	L, 24-31
Sat., Sept. 24	at Cincinnati	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-27
Sat., Oct. 1	*Ohio	2:30 pm ET	TWCS/ESPN3	L, 7-17
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Akron	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 13-35
Sat., Oct. 15	*Kent State	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 18-14
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Bowling Green	Noon ET	ESPN3	W, 40-26
Sat., Oct. 29	*at Eastern Michigan	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 28-15
Fri., Nov. 4	*Central Michigan	6:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 37-17
Sat., Nov. 12	*at Buffalo	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 35-24
Tue., Nov. 22	*Ball State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 21-20
Mon., Dec. 26	vs. Mississippi State (St. Petersburg Bowl)	11:00 am ET	ESPN	

\*Mid-American Conference game



### 2016 Northern Illinois Huskies (5-7, 5-3)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	at Wyoming	10:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 24-30 (3OT)
Sat., Sept. 10	at South Florida	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 17-48
Sat., Sept. 17	San Diego State	3:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 28-42
Sat., Sept. 24	Western Illinois	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 23-28
Sat., Oct. 1	*at Ball State	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 31-24
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Western Michigan	6:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 30-45
Sat., Oct. 15	*Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 28-34 (3OT)
Sat., Oct. 22	*Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 44-7
Tue., Nov. 1	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 45-20
Wed., Nov. 9	*Toledo (at Chicago)	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 24-31
Wed., Nov. 16	*at Eastern Michigan	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 31-24 (OT)
Fri., Nov. 25	*at Kent State	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 31-21

\*Mid-American Conference game



### 2016 Ohio Bobcats (8-5, 6-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	Texas State	3:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 54-56 (3OT)
Sat., Sept. 10	at Kansas	2:30 pm ET	Fox Sports Net	W, 37-21
Sat., Sept. 17	at Tennessee	Noon ET	SEC Network	L, 19-28
Sat., Sept. 24	Gardner-Webb	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 37-21
Sat., Oct. 1	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	TWCS/ESPN3	W, 17-7
Sat., Oct. 8	*Bowling Green	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 30-24
Sat., Oct. 15	*Eastern Michigan	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-27
Sat., Oct. 22	*at Kent State	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 14-10
Thur., Oct. 27	*at Toledo	7:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 31-26
Thur., Nov. 3	*Buffalo	6:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 34-10
Tue., Nov. 15	*at Central Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 20-27
Tue., Nov. 22	*Akron	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 9-3
Fri., Dec. 2	vs. Western Michigan (Marathon MAC Football Championship)	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 23-29
Fri., Dec. 23	vs. Troy (Dollar General Bowl)	8:00 pm ET	ESPN	



### 2016 Toledo Rockets (9-3, 6-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Sept. 2	at Arkansas State	9:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 31-10
Sat., Sept. 10	Maine	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 45-3
Sat., Sept. 17	Fresno State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 52-17
Fri., Sept. 30	at BYU	10:15 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 53-55
Sat., Oct. 8	*at Eastern Michigan	3:00 pm ET	BCSN/TWCS/ESPN3	W, 35-20
Sat., Oct. 15	*Bowling Green	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 42-35
Sat., Oct. 22	*Central Michigan	Noon ET	BCSN/TWCS/ESPN3	W, 31-17
Thur., Oct. 27	*Ohio	7:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 26-31
Wed., Nov. 2	*at Akron	7:30 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 48-17
Wed., Nov. 9	*at Northern Illinois (at Chicago)	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 31-24
Wed., Nov. 16	*Ball State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 37-19
Fri., Nov. 25	*at Western Michigan	5:00 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 35-55
Sat., Dec. 17	vs. Appalachian State (Raycom Media Camellia Bowl)	5:30 pm ET	ESPN	

\*Mid-American Conference game



### 2016 Western Michigan Broncos (13-0, 8-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Sept. 3	at Northwestern	Noon ET	ESPN2	W, 22-21
Sat., Sept. 10	North Carolina Central	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 70-21
Sat., Sept. 17	at Illinois	4:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 34-10
Sat., Sept. 24	Georgia Southern	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 49-31
Sat., Oct. 1	*at Central Michigan	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 49-10
Sat., Oct. 8	*Northern Illinois	6:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 45-30
Sat., Oct. 15	*at Akron	3:30 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	W, 41-0
Sat., Oct. 22	*Eastern Michigan	3:30 pm ET	American Sports Network/ESPN3	W, 45-31
Tue., Nov. 1	*at Ball State	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 52-20
Tue., Nov. 8	*at Kent State	7:30 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 37-21
Sat., Nov. 19	*Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 38-0
Fri., Nov. 25	*Toledo	5:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 55-35
Fri., Dec. 2	vs. Ohio (Marathon MAC Football Championship)	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2	W, 29-23
Mon., Jan. 2	vs. Wisconsin (Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic)	1:00 pm ET	ESPN	

\*Mid-American Conference game

## 2016 Non-Conference Opponents

### ACC (2): (0-2)

Boston College (Buffalo): L, 3-35  
Virginia (Central Michigan): L, 35-49

### American Athletic (3): (0-3)

Cincinnati (Miami): L, 3-77  
Memphis (Bowling Green): L, 20-27  
South Florida (NIU): L, 17-48

### Big Ten (7): (2-5)

Illinois (Western Michigan): W, 34-10  
Indiana (Ball State): L, 20-30  
Iowa (Miami): L, 21-45  
Northwestern (Western Michigan): W, 22-21  
Ohio State (Bowling Green): L, 10-77  
Penn State (Kent State): L, 13-33  
Wisconsin (Akron): L, 10-54

### Big 12 (2): (2-0)

Kansas (Ohio): W, 37-21  
Oklahoma State (Central Michigan): W, 30-27

### Conference USA (5): (3-2)

Charlotte (Eastern Michigan): W, 37-19  
Florida Atlantic (Ball State): W, 31-27  
Marshall (Akron): W, 65-38  
Middle Tennessee (Bowling Green): L, 21-41  
Western Kentucky (Miami): L, 24-31

### Mountain West (6): (3-3)

Fresno State (Toledo): W, 52-17  
Nevada (Buffalo): L, 14-38  
San Diego State (Northern Illinois): L, 28-42  
UNLV (Central Michigan): W, 44-21  
Wyoming (NIU; Eastern Michigan): (1-1): L, 24-30 (3OT); W, 27-24

### SEC (3): (0-3)

Alabama (Kent State): L, 0-48  
Missouri (Eastern Michigan): L, 21-61  
Tennessee (Ohio): L, 19-28

### Sun Belt (5): (3-2)

Arkansas State (Toledo): W, 31-10  
Appalachian State (Akron): L, 38-45  
Georgia Southern (Western Michigan): W, 49-31  
Georgia State (Ball State): W, 31-21  
Texas State (Ohio): L, 54-56 (3OT)

### Independent (2): (1-1)

Army (Buffalo): W, 23-20 (OT)  
BYU (Toledo): L, 53-55

### FCS Opponents (I-AA)

#### Big Sky (1): (1-0)

North Dakota (Bowling Green): W, 27-26

#### Big South (3): (3-0)

Gardner-Webb (Ohio): W, 37-21  
Monmouth (Kent State): W, 27-7  
Presbyterian (Central Michigan): W, 49-3

#### Colonial Athletic (2): (1-1)

Albany (Buffalo): L, 16-22  
Maine (Toledo): W, 45-3

#### MEAC (2): (1-1)

North Carolina A&T (Kent State): L, 36-39 (4OT)  
North Carolina Central (Western Michigan): W, 70-21

#### Missouri Valley (1): (0-1)

Western Illinois (Northern Illinois): L, 23-28

#### Ohio Valley (2): (1-1)

Eastern Kentucky (Ball State): W, 41-14  
Eastern Illinois (Miami): L, 17-21

#### Southern (1): (1-0)

Virginia Military Institute (Akron): L, 24-47

#### Southwestern Athletic Conference (1): (1-0)

Mississippi Valley State (Eastern Michigan): W, 61-14

## MAC Students on Preseason Watch Lists

### **WALTER CAMP AWARD (Best College Football Player)**

WR Corey Davis (Western Michigan)  
DB Shawun Lurry (Northern Illinois)

### **MAXWELL AWARD (Outstanding College Football Player)**

RB Joel Bouagnon (Northern Illinois)  
WR Corey Davis (Western Michigan)  
RB Kareem Hunt (Toledo)  
QB Cooper Rush (Central Michigan)

### **CHUCK BEDNARIK AWARD (Defensive Player of the Year)**

S Nate Holley (Kent State)  
LB Austin Valdez (Bowling Green)

### **BILETNIKOFF AWARD (Top Wide Receiver)**

Corey Davis (Western Michigan)  
Kenny Golladay (Northern Illinois)  
Jesse Kroll (Central Michigan)  
Jerome Lane (Akron)  
JoJo Natson (Akron)  
KeVonn Mabon (Ball State)  
Scott Miller (Bowling Green)  
Ronnie Moore (Bowling Green)  
Sebastian Smith (Ohio)  
Cody Thompson (Toledo)

### **DICK BUTKUS AWARD (Outstanding Linebacker)**

Austin Valdez (Bowling Green)

### **BRONKO NAGURSKI AWARD (Defensive Player of the Year)**

DB Shawun Lurry (Northern Illinois)  
DT Treyvon Hester (Toledo)  
DE Jamal Marcus (Akron)

### **TED HENDRICKS AWARD (Best Defensive End)**

Tarell Basham (Ohio)  
Joshua Posley (Ball State)  
Terence Waugh (Kent State)

### **PAUL HORNUNG AWARD (Most Versatile Player)**

WR Corey Jones (Toledo)  
DB Darius Phillips (Western Michigan)  
KR Aregeros Turner (Northern Illinois)

### **MANNING AWARD (Best Quarterback)**

Cooper Rush, Central Michigan  
Zach Terrell, Western Michigan  
Logan Woodside, Toledo

### **JOHN MACKEY AWARD (Best Tight End)**

Troy Mangen (Ohio)  
Michael Roberts (Toledo)  
Mason Schreck (Buffalo)  
Tyler Conklin (Central Michigan)  
Nigel Kirby (Eastern Michigan)

### **DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD (Top Quarterback)**

Cooper Rush (Central Michigan)  
Zach Terrell (Western Michigan)

### **OUTLAND AWARD (Top Interior Lineman)**

OT Storm Norton (Toledo)  
DT Treyvon Hester (Toledo)  
OT Taylor Moton (Western Michigan)

### **RIMINGTON TROPHY (Most Outstanding Center)**

Tim McAuliffe (Bowling Green)  
James O'Hagan (Buffalo)

### **ROTARY LOMBARDI TROPHY (Down Linemen)**

#### **RAY GUY AWARD (Best College Punter)**

Joseph Davidson, Bowling Green

#### **JIM THORPE AWARD (Best Defensive Back)**

Tony Annese (Central Michigan)  
Shawun Lurry (Northern Illinois)  
Demetrius Monday (Kent State)  
DeJuan Rogers (Toledo)  
Boise Ross (Buffalo)

#### **DOAK WALKER AWARD (Top Running Back)**

Jamauri Bogan (Western Michigan)  
Jarvion Franklin (Western Michigan)  
Joel Bouagnon (Northern Illinois)  
Kareem Hunt (Toledo)  
Shaq Vann (Eastern Michigan)

#### **WUERFFEL TROPHY (Best Community Service)**

WR Antwan Dixon (Kent State)  
LB Nick Cuthbert (Kent State)  
QB Drew Hare (Northern Illinois)  
LS Brad Spelman (Toledo)  
QB Zach Terrell (Western Michigan)